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BRITISH HALT BIG GERMAN DRIVE

First Stage of Great Offensive on Western Front Scored as a German Failure—British Line Still Intact

YANKS WIPE OUT HUNS FIRST AND SECOND LINES

WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY IN FRANCE, March 21 (By the Associated Press).—Enemy first and second line positions on a part of the sector east of Fonsville have been destroyed completely by American artillery fire. After the raid into the German positions last night the American gunners shelled the positions heavily all night and this morning.

Today a patrol, without assistance from the artillery, crossed No Man's Land and found that the first and second lines had been wiped out. The patrol also obtained additional information and returned without casualties, the Germans apparently having decided not to molest them.

GERMANS SURRENDER TO YANKEES

Artillery firing by both sides on this sector continued all day.

On the sector northwest of Toul a number of Germans deserted last night and surrendered to an American patrol in a certain wood. The Germans approached the Americans, shouting: "Don't shoot!" The prisoners were turned over to the French.

Much information of value was obtained from the deserters, who said they were "fed up" with the war and decided they would rather be prisoners. Included in the information was the statement that during the gas projector

TWO PRIESTS EXECUTED IN BRUSSELS

30 GERMAN SOLDIERS KILLED BY EXPLOSION

LONDON, March 22.—The execution of Brussels of two Roman Catholic priests on the charge of espionage is reported in an Exchange Telegraph despatch from Amsterdam.

Eight other priests, the despatch says, have been sentenced to imprisonment at hard labor for life at Brussels on the charge of espionage.

KAISER IN WEST TO SEE DRIVE

LONDON, March 22.—Emperor William, Field Marshal von Hindenburg and Gen. von Ludendorff have gone to the western front to witness the German attack, says an Exchange Telegraph despatch from Copenhagen. Bulgarian and Austrian troops are now on the western front, the despatch reports.

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Kaiser Directs German Attack British Retake Positions Battle on the Italian Front

British War Office Reports Enemy Fell Short of Realizing Aims in First Great Smash—British Line Bends But Not Broken—Infantry Battle Still Raging—Germans Suffer Enormous Losses

The first stage of the great German offensive on the western front has passed, and it is to be scored as a German failure, the enemy having fallen short of realizing his aims in the first great smash, according to despatches from British headquarters today.

British Line Intact

After attacking all day yesterday

and until a late hour last night, the Germans let down in their smashing operation along 50 miles of the British front and had not resumed their heavy assaults at the latest advices from Sir Douglas Haig today. Further hard fighting was ahead, however, the field marshal predicted. The enemy was still being held in the British battle positions, he reported, which means that the British line is still intact although admittedly it has been bent backward at points under the terrific Teuton assault.

The British have struck back spiritedly at the German masses and regained some of the positions which they had temporarily abandoned.

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LOWELL YOUNG MAN ORDAINED TO PRIESTHOOD—THREE OTHERS MADE DEACONS

Rev. Antonio Joseph Vigeani of this city was ordained to the priesthood this morning at the cathedral in Boston, while Revs. William Joseph Conley, George Henri Chaput and Thomas Patrick Frawley were conferred the office of deacon. The ceremonies were performed at a pontifical high mass celebrated at 9 o'clock by His Eminence William Cardinal O'Connell, who was assisted by Rt. Rev. John B. Peterson, rector of St. John's seminary, Brighton and Rev. George V. Leahy. Parents and friends of the Lowell boys attended the ceremony.

Rev. Antonio Joseph Vigeani is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Vigeani of 48 Riverside street. He was born in this city 25 years ago and received his early education at St. Joseph's college. Later he followed his classical

studies at the Sherbrooke seminary and studied theology at the Grand seminary in Montreal. He completed his theology course at St. John's seminary, Brighton.

The young priest has three brothers and four sisters, all living in this city, namely, Timothy, Leon, Napoleon, Mrs. J. M. G. Fortier, Mrs. Pierre Perreault and Misses Regina and Annette Vigeani. He will celebrate his first mass at 10:30 o'clock Easter Sunday at St. Joseph's church.

The three Lowell young men upon whom the office of deacon was conferred are well known in this city, where they all made their early studies.

Rev. E. William Joseph Conley is the son of Mr. and Mrs. William Conley of 151 Branch street. Rev. Bro. George Henri Chaput is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Henri Chaput of 148 Orleans street. Rev. Bro. Thomas Patrick Frawley is the son of Police Officer and Mrs. Patrick J. Frawley of 31 Madison street.

Dear Parents: I have arrived safely and am feeling great. This message on a postal card was received yesterday afternoon by Mr. and Mrs. Olivier Renaud, of 15 Howard street.

Rev. Alfred J. Renaud, who was hurrying to announce to his parents the glad news of his safe arrival in France. The war department got ahead of the young corporal, however, for in the morning

Mr. and Mrs. Renaud received the heart breaking news that their beloved son had gone "over the top" into eternity, this information being contained in the following telegram received from Washington:

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BERLIN CLAIMS BRITISH

FRONT LINE CAPTURED

BERLIN, March 22.—(British admiral per wireless press)—The British first line has been captured by German troops attacking from the southeast of Arras as far as La Fere, the war office announces.

Heavy artillery fighting continues in Belgium and French Flanders.

Reconnoitering detachments are said to have penetrated the opposing lines at many points. Ostend was bombarded from the sea.

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"Between La Fere and Soissons, on both sides of Arras and in the Champagne the firing duel increased in intensity. Storming detachments brought in prisoners in many sectors.

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"In Belgium and French Flanders the heavy artillery duel continued. Reconnoitering detachments penetrated on many occasions into the enemy lines.

"Our artillery continued the destruction of enemy infantry positions and batteries before Verdun. On the Lorraine front also the artillery activity increased on many occasions.

"From the other theatres of war there is nothing new to report."

UNCLE SAM IS LOOKING FOR WATCHMAKERS

If you know anything about watches outside of the fact that they cost a lot and that they must be wound every night, the U. S. navy can use you to good advantage in the aviation section of that branch of the service.

Chief Yeoman Tucker of the local recruiting station received a call this morning for an unlimited number of expert watchmakers and said time manufacturers are wanted in a hurry. They will be paid \$66.50 a month and expenses for serving "time" in the service and no watch will be kept on them except that they will be expected to keep their hands busy. Those who are accepted will be sent to the fast city of Philadelphia and after their training there the work on the stage was always very commendable.

The young corporal was one of the founders of Garde Sacre-Coeur, a semi-military organization of Notre Dame de Lourdes parish, and worked his way in the ranks until he became captain of the organization. He was also prominent at St. Joseph's college alumni of which he was a director when he enlisted in the aviation corps. He was also a member of Laval council, U. S. B. D. A. and numerous social organizations.

Surviving him are his bereaved parents, four brothers, Corporal Louis Renaud of Company G, 10th Infantry, "somewhere" in France; Joseph, Lionel and Emilien, and four sisters, Marie, Dolvina, Bella and Oliva Renaud, all of this city.

D. Murray Cummings and Edward S. Cummings who were accepted yesterday for the naval reserve, left for Boston this forenoon and sailed for Norfolk, Va., this afternoon. They were accompanied to Boston by their father, Lawrence J. Cummings.

The local regular army station has forwarded 21 men to Boston so far this month. There are several on the waiting list at the present time.

William H. O'Brien of this city was accepted at the custom house in Boston today as a recruit for a U. S. ship.

Holland May Break with U. S.

AMSTERDAM, March 22.—A despatch from The Hague to the Handelsblad says one of the most prominent members of parliament intends to ask the government whether it is not time to recall the Dutch minister at Washington and hand passports to the American minister at The Hague.

Awaits Reply from Allies

THE HAGUE, March 21, 1 p. m.—No reply has been received up to this hour by the ministry of foreign affairs from the allied powers regarding the shipping question.

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EAST MAY LOSE WAR WORK

Many Government Contracts May be Transferred to West and South to Relieve Congestion

WASHINGTON, March 22.—An extensive survey of the location of war industries, now being made by the war government departments, may result shortly in the transfer of many government contracts from the industrial congested east to the west and south, where factories are working under less pressure. Labor is not quite scarce and railroad transportation conditions are better.

The many ramifications of the subject have recently been discussed between representatives of the war industries board, the railroad administration, the treasury department, the shipping board and the labor department.

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Dr. Edwards' Olive Tablets are a purely vegetable compound mixed with olive oil. You will know them by their olive color. They do the work without giving cramps or pain.

Take one or two at bedtime for quick relief, so you can eat what you like at 10c and 25c per box. All druggists

ment. Attempts are being made to formulate a definite policy, which probably will be announced soon.

The necessity for an early decision is emphasized by the fact that hundreds of contracts placed last summer will expire in April and May and a general redistribution must occur.

Scores of manufacturers' representatives in Washington looking for contracts and members of congress from the middle west and south are urging a gradual shifting of the industrial burden to their regions.

Officials who have studied the subject scientifically believe that the east is overcrowded but point out a multitude of reasons why there can be no wholesale transfer of contracts to manufacturing districts of the west.

The process must be very slow, they say, and will be developed by the placing of single contracts outside of the east wherever conditions warrant.

Bernard M. Baruch has conferred with a number of officials on the subject since he was appointed chairman of the war industries board recently and is known to believe that a better distribution of contracts would result in greater industrial efficiency for the country.

The railroad administration's interest grows out of the serious traffic congestion with which it has been confronted from the Pittsburgh manufacturing district eastward.

Director-General McAdoo has told members of congress that some of the traffic load must be taken off "eastern carriers," both by re-routing of export traffic through southern ports and by positive efforts to place contracts with due consideration to the transportation factor.

The joint policy of the railroad and shipping boards to divert more export freight to south Atlantic and gulf ports now beginning to materialize, is certain result eventually in the drawing of manufacturing toward these points, it is pointed out. Reports to the war

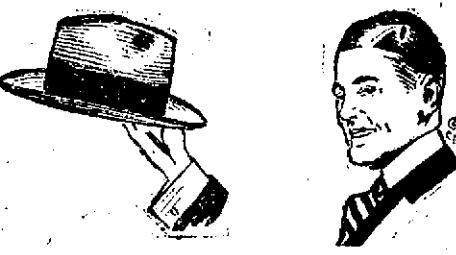
industries board already indicate a tendency of manufacturers in the Mississippi valley and the south to figure bids on government contracts in accordance with these new alignments or rail and water transportation.

A committee of traffic experts headed by R. J. Winchell of the Union Pacific is now in the south studying railroad trackage and terminal facilities.

Similar studies have been made of the middle west.

Shipping board officials would wel-

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Great efforts are being made to distribute sales of the third Liberty Loan equitably over the whole country, with a special drive in the south and southwest. Representatives of these regions declare they could absorb more government securities if their industries were more active.

The department of agriculture has complained that abnormal concentration of war industries along the middle Atlantic seaboard and in New England has drawn almost all farm labor from the rural communities through the lure of high wages in factories.

LENROOT, WINNER IN

LOYALTY PRIMARY

MILWAUKEE, Wis., March 22.—Irvin L. Lenroot, so-called loyalist, will have approximately 2500 majority over James Thompson, La Follette candidate, in the contest for the republican nomination for United States senator, according to latest returns. It is believed the missing precincts will add to Lenroot's advantage.

Supporters of Thompson, it was said

that he had 10,000 votes, while Lenroot had 15,000.

LENROOT, WINNER IN

LOYALTY PRIMARY

LENROOT, WINNER IN

FRIDAY AND SATURDAY SPECIALS



SPECIAL NOTICE

All orders taken this week will be ready for Easter. Starting my 10th year in Lowell, I can truthfully say in that time I have not disappointed one man for Easter, by not having his garments ready as promised. This season I ask my customers to assist me. Labor is not as plentiful today as years gone by, union regulations of an eight-hour day and government restrictions on closing the past month have hampered my production some, but I can overcome this if you will do your share.

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I want to convince the man who pays \$35.00 to \$45.00 for his suits. I have gone and procured the product of the one worsted mill that all clothing merchants and tailors like to praise. On the reputation of Wanskuk goods the most skeptical man in Lowell ought to feel content. On a comparison of these Wanskuk goods that I show you, with the goods in the suit you wear, I feel you will admit the superiority of my offering in spite of your prejudices to popular prices.

Blue Serge Special

Last week I offered you a special Blue Serge made by the Wood Worsted mill of Lawrence, Mass.

TODAY I OFFER YOU---The famous Waterhouse and Kimball Blue Serge, 2 oz. heavier in weight than my last Saturday Special---a serge that will gratify any man's desire for shade, quality and weave. I have twelve full pieces of this blue in stock. This serge is guaranteed not to fade, will be tailored in first class shape warranted to fit or a new suit, and is sold as a leader for advertising purposes. Suit to order, \$18.00. Buy one and send in your friends.

The largest display of woolens I have ever shown. I have Perseverance Worsteds, Dunn's Worsteds, Sheriff's Worsteds, Rockville, Standish, No. Adams, and when I get these I don't see what is left in woolens for anybody to get better. There is no better made than the above mentioned mills.

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ST. RAILWAY PETITION IN LEGISLATURE

BOSTON, March 22.—The petition of the Bay Street Railway company to secure legislation which would relieve it from the obligation of placing a part of its wires in Boston underground was characterized by Carl Adams, assistant corporation counsel, "as the most bold and brazen piece of legislation I have ever seen."

Mr. Adams was arguing yesterday afternoon before the legislative committee on street railways that the measure should not pass.

Robert S. Goff, general manager of the company, in advocating the bill, called attention to the weakened finances of his company and to the fact that economies are necessitated by all cities and corporations because of the war. He believed that the work could be done after the company is in a sounder financial condition.

Mr. Adams said he saw no reason why the Bay State should ask for relief.

"It would be merely putting a premium on mismanagement," he said. "It would seem also that all a corporation now has to do is to do in order to se-

cure relief is to go 'broke' and then contend that it cannot meet its obligations."

A conference between representatives of Boston and of the Bay State will be held on the question Tuesday. This was agreed on recommendation of the committee.

Senators John Hallinan and Representatives Andrew P. Doyle and George Walker were before the house committee on ways and means yesterday to protest against the bill recommended by the committee on railroads, on petition of Frank A. Furness, that the Old Colony and New Haven roads be permitted to discontinue the ferry between New Bedford and Fairhaven. George L. Barnes, railroad counsel, and Representative Jewell, house chairman of the committee on railroads, spoke in favor.

The legislative committee on public lighting has reported "no legislation necessary" on the recommendations of the gas and electric light commission that contracts for the purchase or sale of gas between gas and electric companies under the same control and lighting contracts between gas and electric companies and municipalities for a period beyond the current municipal year shall not be effective without the written consent of the commission.

Standardization of milk and the repeal of last year's act for pasteurization were advocated before the legislative committee on agriculture and public health, sitting jointly, yesterday. Senator Chairman Hart of the committee on public health contended that milk for food is cheap at anything less than 1 cent per quart. Cornelius A. Parker of the Boston Milk Dealers' association; Arthur L. Whittemore, president of the Independent Milk Dealers' association; Dr. H. F. Ryder of Turner Center, Theodore D. Grant and Francis S. Cummings of Somerville spoke in favor of the proposed legislation.

WOOL SORTERS CLAIM THAT THEY WERE FORCED OUT OF WORK

A representative of the 40 or so wool sorters employed at the George C. Moore mills in North Chelmsford, who claimed that they were forced out of work on Wednesday afternoon by the action of the superintendent, Edgar Dixon, visited the San office yesterday afternoon and gave the wool sorters' side of the story.

He said that two men who had been employed at the mill only a few months and who were not members of the union were asked to produce their cards before next Tuesday morning. Supt. Dixon, upon hearing this according to the story, maintained that the wool sorters had no right to compel the two non-union employees to get cards and that if they didn't wish to work with them they might walk out. The wool sorters said that they were willing to wait a few days to allow the non-union men to get in touch with the Lawrence branch of the union, under whose jurisdiction they come, and procure the cards.

Supt. Dixon was firm. In his conviction, however, that the wool sorters had no right to make any employee do as they dictated and the result was that they were forced to walk out in order to maintain their union traditions.

At a conference held yesterday morning at which George C. Moore, owner of the mill, Supt. Dixon and a committee representing the wool sorters were present, the matter was discussed at length and Mr. Moore asked that the matter be laid over a few days. As far as can be learned, no definite agreement was reached.

There is at last a good outlook for fine tobacco crops at easier prices. Our great facilities for buying and handling tobacco give us an advantage which we are glad to pass along to the dealer and to you. Price-raising in the cigar trade doubtless is a necessity for many manufacturers. It would be necessary with us if we lived for today only. But we are living for the after-the-war days. And we'll continue to sell the TOTEM as a cigar so long as it is a good business to do so.

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15 FITCHBURG NURSES POISONED IN HOSPITAL

FITCHBURG, March 22.—The poisoning of 15 nurses at Burbank hospital, including Miss Josephine Thurlow, the superintendent, resulted yesterday in an investigation being ordered by Mayor Foss, who is chairman of the hospital trustees. Dr. Whitney, a Boston poison specialist, came here to conduct the probe.

Some of the nurses are in a serious condition.

Miss Thurlow was first taken ill and soon after 11 nurses required the attention of physicians. It was stated last night that all are now out of danger.

The nurses ate a dessert which it is

believed, was responsible for the illness of all. A physician who attended some of the nurses stated last night it might be a case of ptomaine poisoning.

So far there is no suspicion attached to anyone employed at the institution.

WOOL PELTS ORDERED HELD FOR OPTION OF GOV- ERNMENT

WASHINGTON, Mar. 22.—Wool pullers and dealers in wool pelts have been ordered by the war industries board to hold all stocks for the option of government purchase at a maximum price of 14 cents per pound. They must hold the stocks for 20 days, and if not taken at the end of that time they may sell in the open market.

An increased demand for sheepskin jerkins for the army prompted the action of the board.

Mothers! Don't Give Children Nauseous Medicine for Colds

Local Druggists Are Offering an
"Outside" Treatment on
30 Days' Trial

Children's Stomachs Are Delicate—
Easily Upset by Constant Internal
Dosing. The Best Way To Prevent
Colds Is To Allow the Children Regular
Out-Door Exercise—Keep Plenty
of Fresh Air in the Bedroom at
Night, and, at the First Sign of
Trouble, Apply the Southern Ex-
ternal Vapor Treatment.

Fifteen years ago a North Carolina

Druggist discovered a process of com-

bining the old-fashioned remedies,

Camphor, Turpentine and Menthol,

with certain volatile oils, in salve

form, so that, when applied over the

throat and chest the body heat would

release these ingredients in the form

of vapors. These vapors, breathed in

all night long, carry the medication,

with each breath, to the air passages and lungs. In addition, the preparation is absorbed through and stimulates the skin, taking out that tightness and soreness in the chest.

Today this treatment, known as Vick's VapoRub, is universally used throughout the south in preference to internal dosing. By arrangement with the manufacturers the local druggists are offering 25¢ jars on 30 days' trial, the purchase price to be refunded if you are not delighted with the results.

You have to try VapoRub to realize

its remarkable effect, not only for deep

chest colds, sore throat, bronchitis or

incipient pneumonia, but for head

colic, asthmatic or catarrhal troubles.

Croup is usually relieved within fifteen minutes and an application at bedtime prevents a night attack.

VapoRub is particularly recom-

mended to mothers with small chil-

dren as it is externally applied and

can therefore be used freely and often

with perfect safety on the smallest

member of the family.

STRANGLED TO DEATH

NEW LONDON, Conn., March 22.—

Frank L. Pendleton of the Thames

Towboat company's barge Pequot lost

his life in a peculiar way during last

night. He fell from a wharf between

a stringer and a spike, his body being

only waist deep in water. His throat

was caught against the stringer and

he was strangled. Pendleton's home

was in Eddington, Me., and his wife

was in the way here for a visit.

If you want to buy, sell or ex-

change anything, try a Sun want ad.

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CHIC CHIC CHIC CHIC CHIC CHIC

YALE WILL BE IN PORTLAND LINEUP

AMERICAN LEAGUE STANDING

	Won	Lost	P.C.
Bowdoin	47	34	58.0
Providence	41	35	53.4
Lawson	39	34	53.4
Lawrence	30	35	51.3
Worcester	29	33	42.5
Portland	27	40	40.3

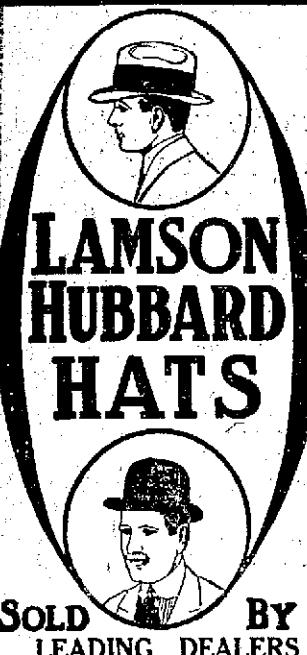
ROLLER POLO RESULTS

Lowell 10, Portland 6.
Lawson 3, Providence 2.

Billy Yale, the well known roller skating racer, who has appeared here on several occasions and who is now a member of the naval reserve and stationed at Portland, Maine will appear in the Portland lineup in the game at the Rollaway rink tonight. Yale has been playing polo with the navy team at Portland, and is said to be a very clever performer. With Yale and Mulligan on the rush line the visitors are sure to show some speed. Mulligan tops the league in going to the spot, and Yale was always one of the fastest sprinters that ever appeared on the rollers. Frank Mullin, the veteran goal tend, who is now playing his best game of the season will appear in front of the "coop." With Harkins back in the Lowell lineup the fans can expect a very speedy contest. Many of Yale's local friends plan to turn out in large numbers to give him a hand when he hops into the cage.

HUCKLEY A COMER

Fans who attended the Lowell-Lawson game the other night are still talking about the fine work turned in by Buckley, the amateur, who played second rush for Lowell. All know that very few men in the game could go in there and play as Harkins does. That's not to be expected. But the local boy jumped in and helped greatly in the turning apparent defeat into a clean cut victory. Of course the absence of Harkins added additional burdens to the others, Griffith doing the pivot work, with Williams doing the bulk of the floor work. "Buck," however, played at the mouth of the cage and was always there to hook in on a pass from either Williams or Griffith. Buckley is also a good driver, an asset that makes him all the more valuable. The trouble with the great majority of those breaking in is that they specialize on hooking and neglect to learn driving. The local boy has taken up both and is very proficient in the two



SOLD BY
LEADING DEALERS

departments. Buckley is a clever all round athlete, being an exceptionally good ball player. He can pitch, catch, play the infield or outfield, and as a batter he is one of the city's best. This will help him in polo. He has the goods and is ready and willing to accept the advice of his instructors. Griff and Williams both gave him many tips, and he says that whatever success he attained the other night was due to the coaching of the "Kid" and "Griff." He said that he greatly appreciated their assistance, and in return gave all that was in him, in an endeavor to bring home the bacon. With a little more experience and a better equipment he ought to soon graduate. More power to him.

Amateur Game

The Andover A. C., one of the fastest amateur teams in these parts, will meet the Highland Daylights, Lowell's speedy quintet, before the league game tonight. Both teams will present their strongest lineups and a great game is expected. The game will start at 7:30 o'clock.

Bon Keaveney in his Lawrence paper prints the following with the request that Lowell papers please copy:

"Williams doesn't show any 'yellow' against any team but Lawrence, but Jean and Hardy both have caused the Lowell rush to have a deep-seated respect for them and he is not nearly as effective against Lawrence as he is against other teams."

Ben also had this one tucked in a corner of his column:

"Lowell is a fine sporting city, but the fans have such a deep hatred for Lawrence that they go to any end to show it."

RESUME OF THE LOCAL BASKETBALL SEASON

Now that the local basketball season is drawing to a close it is of interest to stand in retrospect and pay tribute to the hustling amateur lives which have provided Lowell fans with real thrills on the smooth floor.

Although the predominating interest in polo prevented the success of a professional quintet, nevertheless, the fans proved that they appreciated the game for its own sake as much as ever and some of the "houses" which the amateur contests drew were rivals of the frequent "S.R.O." conditions at the polo scraps.

There were a dozen or so amateur teams in Lowell and during the early and middle part of the winter the claims for the city's championship were profuse and gaudy. Challenge after challenge was hurled and offers were immediately "taken up." Finally the field simmered down to five teams that were besting all comers. They were the Y.M.C.A. Intermediates, who we understand were the amateur representatives of the association, the C.Y.M.L. Midgets, the Sacred Heart Five, the Lowell Boys' Club and the C.M.L. Cadet Five.

Although these teams have not had as thorough an elimination period of meetings as might be desired nevertheless, from the records themselves the O.M.I. Cadet Five seems to have the best claim for the championship. This verdict is by no means final or conclusive, but is taken merely from the records as they stand at present.

The success of the Cadet quintet is due in a large measure to the sterling work of its leader, Capt. Dan O'Connor. Although only 16 years old he has held the position of captain for two years and his success last season closely rivaled that of the present year. Clever pass work and timely shooting combined with handy work in directing the course of play have been some of the salient elements contributing to his own success and that of his team. He has the typical basketball build, and a "grin" that can't be erased makes him popular, not only with his followers but with his opponents. However, the Cadet Five has



CAPT. DAN O'CONNOR

Curran have capably covered the centre and forward positions.

Capt. O'Connor is known throughout the city not only as an athlete but as a popular member of the Cadets' Field music corps where he handles the drum sticks like a veteran.

CONFER TO SETTLE CLAIMS FOR HIGHER WAGES MADE BY STATIONARY ENGINEERS

BROCKTON, March 22.—A conference which was expected to bring about a settlement of the claims for higher wages, made by 200 stationary engineers under threat of a strike, was held today between representatives of the engineers and members of the Shoe Manufacturers' association. Satisfaction agreements on a wage scale were believed to have been reached with the city departments in which some of the engineers are employed and with the Edison Illuminating Co. and the Brockton Gas Light Co. Union men believed an agreement would be reached with the shoe manufacturers which would eliminate the only remaining difference.

SAYS GIANTS WILL REPEAT

Despite the addition of Alexander and Killefer, a battery both ends of which he considers the greatest in the game, Pat Moran does not believe the Cubs will wrest the National league leadership from the Giants. The manager of the Phillips picks the Giants to repeat, with the Cubs as contenders. He

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been by no means a one-man outfit, the probable place of the Phils is in the finish, but he avers he aims high. Moran says:

"New York should repeat. McGraw has strengthened a club which was good enough to win the flag last year. With the going of Alexander and Killefer to Chicago the Cubs now are contenders. A battery of their calibre would put almost any National league team in the race. New York gets my vote, not because McGraw is the leader, but on account of the superior balance in all departments of the club. Alexander and Killefer will keep Chicago in the running, but in the final test the superior infield and outfield of the Giants should carry them through to victory."

"In Alexander I have lost the greatest pitcher I ever watched in action. I have seen all the old-timers and also the cream of the modern age. After carefully considering such stars as Christy Mathewson and others I award the wreath to Alex as the greatest all around pitcher. He has it by a slight margin over Matty."

INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE MEETING MARCH 25

NEW YORK, Mar. 22.—Minor league magnates are awaiting with unusual interest the outcome of the meeting of the International league, scheduled to be held in this city on Monday, March 25. The conference will be the second since the annual meeting of the league was adjourned late in December. It is expected that at the coming session the club owners will decide definitely whether the organization will continue its circuit during the season of 1918 or abandon play for the duration of the war. Such evidence as is available in advance would appear to indicate that the league will operate this summer.

Several of the club owners have clearly intimated that they are opposed to a continuation of play under the present unsettled conditions, incidental to the war. Others stand ready to back baseball for another season at least, but just which side will hold the majority vote cannot be stated before the day of the meeting. If it is decided to discontinue the schedule there is a bare possibility that one or more of the clubs will form a new league by joining hands with other city combinations which have in past seasons been a part of lower classification circuits.

A decision on the part of the International league to drop out would be a severe blow to organized baseball for the association is one of the pioneers among the minor leagues and a steady and important factor in the development of the game and of players for major league circuits. The league was organized in 1892 and continued without break until the close of the 1917 season. During the initial year a two-season schedule was played but since 1893 the pennant race has been along the lines of the majors.

Providence with six championship pennants to its credit leads all the cities which have at various times held membership in the organization. Rochester comes next with five and Buffalo and Toronto are tied with four each, while Binghamton, Erie, Syracuse, Springfield, Montreal, Jersey City, Baltimore and Newark have each captured one titular flag.

The outcome of the conference is likely to have a distinct bearing upon the decision of other minor leagues in relation to their plans for the coming season. Several of these organizations are in rather an uncertain frame of mind regarding the financial outlook for baseball on the smaller circuits during 1918 and are likely to be swayed to some extent by the example set by the International league club owners. Up to the present time less than half of the leagues which began the 1817 season have prepared and promulgated their schedules for 1918.

Even under the most favorable conditions it is not expected that there will be the same number of organizations operating as was the case twelve months ago. The records show that some 23 leagues opened the season a year ago and that about 75 per cent played through the season or the major portion of the same. In 1916, twenty-four leagues were in operation and the year previous the number was 55 more, while in 1914 the lists show more than forty leagues in the various classifications throughout the country.

Although the University of Pennsylvania team has clinched the championship of the Intercollegiate Basketball league, several other college fives without membership in this association, have made records on the courts this season which stamp them as combinations of unusual skill. This is particularly true of Syracuse and Union. Both these colleges have been represented by teams of exceptional ability and have long winning records to their credit. Syracuse is expected to make application for admission to the Intercollegiate league before the 1918 season opens.

GIANTS LEADERS IN "BUMMING" THEIR WAY

New York's champion team had the player who drew more passes last year than anyone else and the player who was hit the most frequently, according to the last instalment of Official National league records made public by secretary of the league. These two men were George J. Burns and Arthur Fletcher, the outfielder obtaining 75 bases on balls in 152 games and the infielder being hit by 19 pitched balls in 151 games.

It is the first time the National league has reported the number of men hit.

Another innovation in the figures is to make public the number of times a player reached first base on a fielding error. Harold H. Chase, of Cincinnati, was the leader in this respect, qualifying as a base runner on 27 occasions through manual mistakes on the part of the Reds' opponents.

Henry Groh, of Cincinnati, was the runner up to Burns in the total of passes procured, with a total of 71. He played in four more games than New York.

Ranking second to Fletcher in gaining casualty passes was his teammate, Charles Horzog, now the property of the Boston club. He was hit 13 times.

David Bancroft, Philadelphia shortstop, had the second best record in reaching first on errors, his total being 29, or nine less than Chase's.

There were 61 National leaguers last season who took part in 100 or more games, the greatest number being members of the St. Louis club—nine. Of these men the one who fanned the least frequently was Ivy Wingo, of Cincinnati. He missed 13 times in 121 contests. J. Eddie Roush, of the same club, champion National league batsman, struck out 24 times in 136 engagements.

The ten leaders of the eight clubs in drawing passes of both kinds, and in reaching first on errors were as

follows:

Boston—Smith in passes, Rawlings in being hit by pitchers, Maranville in reaching first on errors.

Cincinnati—Groh in passes, and in being hit by pitchers, Chase in reaching first on errors.

Brooklyn—Stengel in passes and in reaching first on errors, Daubert in being hit by pitchers.

New York—Burns in passes, and Fletcher in being hit by pitchers, and in reaching first on errors.

Chicago—Flack in passes, Williams in being hit by pitchers, Mann in

reaching first on errors.

Luders in being hit by pitchers and Bancroft in reaching first on errors.

Pittsburg—Carey in passes and in being hit by pitchers, Ward in reaching first on errors.

St. Louis—Hornby in passes and in being hit by pitchers, Long in reaching first on errors.

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Fine quality, in all Black Kid Gloves, at \$1.75 to \$2.85 Pair

Fine quality in white kid and light weight capes, at \$1.25 to \$2 Pair

Washable Cape Gloves, in pique and pique sewn, with self and contrast embroideries; colors, putty, grey, ivory, tan, khaki and white \$1.75 to \$2.25 Pair

Light Suede Gloves, colors grey and gold, at \$2.00 Pair

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Swiss embroidered collars, daintily trimmed with filet lace, at 25c and 50c Each

Pique roll and flat collars, at 50c, 75c, \$1.00 Each

Hand embroidered pique collars, trimmed with Irish crochet lace, at \$1.00 Each

Satin roll and flat collars, at 50c, \$1.00, \$1.50, \$2 Each

Satin monk collars, at \$1.50 Each

Hand embroidered pique collar and cuff sets, embroidered in colors, at \$1.50 and \$2.00 Each

Linen collar and cuff sets, daintily trimmed with venise lace, at \$1.00, \$2.00, \$3.00 Set

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PRESIDENT TO CHANGE TREATIES ON DRAFT

WASHINGTON, March 22.—The British-American and Canadian-American draft treaties were returned to the state department by the senate yesterday, at the request of President Wilson, for certain changes before ratification.

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periods of high winds made the conditions, they declare, virtually the same as in 1919, when many persons were burned to death and \$6 million dollars' worth of timber on the national forests was destroyed.

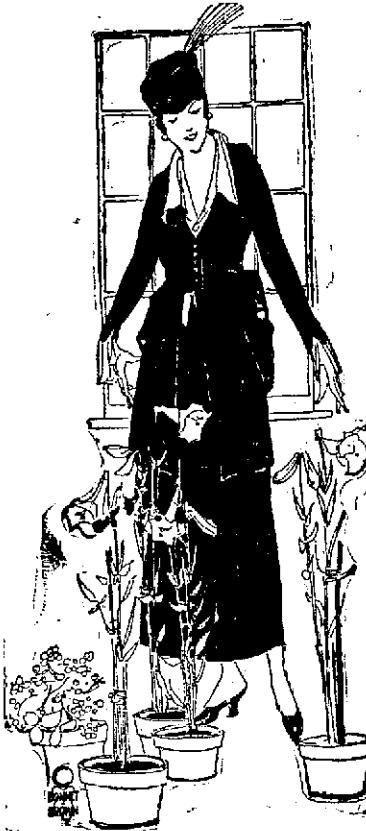
In addition to the actual loss in timber and forage, the fires of last year entailed extra expenditures by the government of \$1,121,451. This, it is

pointed out, means that to hold the fires down large numbers of men have to be withdrawn from productive work and much money spent for supplies. At a time like the present when it is necessary to practice the utmost economy as a war duty, the forest service officials are emphasizing the criminal wastefulness of forest fires.

Of the 7514 fires which were fought on the national forests, all but 2132 were caused by carelessness on the part of settlers and other users of the national forests.

Effort is being made by the forest service to impress upon the public the necessity of keeping fire out of the woods, especially now that the country needs its man-power so badly for

other purposes than fighting unnecessary fires. The campaign of education against carelessness and indifference which has been waged for years, through fire-warnings, posters, talks and lectures, "movies" and in other ways, it is asserted, will therefore be pressed with renewed energy the coming season.

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TO RUSH BRIDGE OF SHIPS TO FRANCE

WASHINGTON, March 22.—Publication yesterday of the long-held secret official British admiralty figures showing exactly the total of submarine losses up to Jan. 1 and that despite anti-submarine measures the under-sea boats were destroying ships twice as fast as the world's shipyards are building them promises to be the forerunner of further official pronouncements which will bring home to America, more strikingly than ever before, the need of a bridge of ships to France.

Chairman Hurley of the shipping board, in a speech in New York next Tuesday, will undoubtedly give some facts which, taken in connection with the recent declarations of Sir Eric Geddes, first lord of the British admiralty, and the official figures published here yesterday by the British embassy, will show the present ship construction situation as clearly as the British have shown the rate of destruction.

The British official figures published so unexpectedly here yesterday, when everyone thought they would be indefinitely withheld because of the supposedly valued information they might give the Germans, were not without their note of comfort despite the ringing warning they gave of the need of pushing shipbuilding.

While they show more than 11,000,000 tons of ships destroyed since submarine warfare began and only 6,000 tons of ships built to take their places, they show that the rate of submarine destruction steadily has decreased from the heights it reached when, early in 1917, Germany announced a new and unrestricted campaign of ruthlessness and forced the United States into the war.

Labor troubles in England, according to confidential advices, have caused serious delays in production. While the vast majority of American workmen have rallied to the support of the fight-

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ing forces, their English fellows abroad admittedly have lessened their efforts as their pay increased. The result was a bare 50,000 tons of shipping produced in England in January and 100,000 tons in February, both months far short of the amount necessary if the program of 1,000,000 tons this year is to be carried out.

Mr. Hurley's speech in New York will be one of the most important revelations of war progress made by any branch of the government as it is understood he proposes to tell the country exactly what is being done and how the United States has built more steel ship ways than all the English yards put together.

In spite of the tremendous total of losses, they do not approach the claims of the Germans, and with 2,559,000 tons of enemy ships added to the output of the war period, the net loss to world shipping, exclusive of that of Germany and her allies, is only 2,632,297.

The maximum of losses was reached in the second quarter of 1917 after the unrestricted submarine warfare which drew the United States into the struggle was launched. That quarter 2,373,934 gross tons of ships went down. Since then the total has been reduced until in the fourth quarter of 1917 it was 1,272,842. In the meantime the shipbuilding output steadily curved upward. In the last quarter of 1917 it was 932,023 tons, and at that time the enormously increased facilities of the United States had not begun to get into action.

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"STRIKE OF DESERTERS"
IN SWITZERLAND

ZURICH, Switzerland, Feb. Correspondence of The Associated Press. Released today.—A "strike of deserters" has been in progress here for some weeks. The twelve to thirteen thousand deserters, mostly from the central empires, who have taken refuge in Switzerland are as rebellious to service in the field and the factory as they are in the front line trenches, and most of them refuse to work.

Until recently, every deserter who could find his way across the frontier into Switzerland was given shelter with no other condition than that he pay his taxes and observe the law. The number continually increased and on the occasion of the riots in Zurich, the federal authorities discovered that there were too many of these deserters among the leaders of the disorder. It was then decided to order a civil mobilization that would enable the government to round up all unoccupied foreigners and set them to work.

The strike of the deserters followed this mobilization. The deserters pretended to the right of asylum in the country without the obligation to work. They were supported by a certain element of the Swiss Socialist party with maximalist tendencies.

"We came here to escape servitude," the deserters said, "we reject all obligations of service, military or civil; we will obey no order and we summon the socialist party of Switzerland to sustain us immediately."

The socialist party of Switzerland met at Ollon in general convention and, though sustaining the strikers in a platonic way, invited them to go back to work. Thereupon the deserters and the extremists of the socialist party organized a sort of soviet in Zurich. Socialist members of the federal

council are endeavoring to get the government to annul the civil mobilization decree, but public opinion in a vast majority is stoutly opposed to any concessions to the deserters.

"KIDDER" IN A FRONT LINE TRENCH
IN FRANCE PULLS A
GOOD ONE

WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY IN FRANCE, Feb. (Correspondence of The Associated Press. Released today.)—What is known back in the United States as a "kidder" cannot be suppressed even in front line trench in France.

Seven men were standing in a trench section. All looked as if they might have been rolling around in the mud and they were well-bearded. High in the sky an airplane circled round and round over the German lines. A sergeant took a look at it through his field glasses.

"Boche," said he. Then a moment later he added: "Headed this way."

The machine came closer and closer over head. One young private who had just come up from a replacement division and had not seen many airplanes—especially German airplanes—before, watched this one intently. His head kept going back, back, back until his neck was on a right angle with his body. And his mouth which had opened just a little as his head started going back, finally was wide open. There he was looking up open-mouthed. Then the sergeant saw him.

"Hey there," cried the sergeant, "you better close that. First thing you know that Boche will see that opening, think it's a dugout door and drop a bomb in it."

CONSIDER PROHIBITION
QUESTION TUESDAY

Special to The Sun

STATE HOUSE, Boston, March 22.—Carrying out a plan agreed upon by both factions, the house yesterday assigned Tuesday of next week as the day for considering the prohibition question, and it is understood that Rep. Archibald of Lowell, who has charge of the report of his committee in favor of a referendum on the question, will ask the house to convene at 12 o'clock on that day, in order that two hours may be added to the time for debate, in an effort to reach a vote before adjournment. HOYT.

WALTER H. HICKEY ACCEPTS JOB
AS PURCHASING AGENT FOR
RUBBER COMPANY

Walter H. Hickey, superintendent of the local division of the Bay State Street Railway Co., after over 21 years of service in street railway business in this city, has tendered his resignation to accept a position as purchasing agent with the B. F. Goodrich Rubber company. For the time being he will make his headquarters in Boston.

Mr. Hickey is one of the best known street railway men in this vicinity and it is with regret that the officials of the Bay State Street Railway Co. as well as patrons of the road learned of his intention to sever his connections with that company. He had worked his way up from errand boy to the position of superintendent and his complete knowledge of the street railway business is well known. He is a practical man in every sense of the word and besides being conversant with the methods of operating cars, preparing timetables and taking general supervision his mechanical ability is known better at the power houses on the Bay State lines than to the ordinary patron of the road. He will begin his new duties April 1.

DEALERS DISCUSS PRICE OF MILK
AND ADOPT SCHEDULE OF
PRICES

A meeting of the Lowell and Suburban Dairymen's Association was held last evening in Odd Fellows hall, Centralville with Bert A. Cluff of Dracut

and Dracut and Tewksbury, 74 cents;

Billerica and Chelmsford, 72 cents; Tyngsboro, Carlisle, Dunstable, Westford and Hudson, 70 cents.

This means a raise in every case except for Dracut and Tewksbury, but

the president of the association in a statement issued at the close of the meeting claims, although the prices will be increased by the producers, there is no reason for the dealers to ask more for the milk. The statement follows:

"When the dealers raised their prices the last time they were acting upon the schedule given by the federal milk commission to the dealers in Boston and within a certain number of miles of Boston. However, we producers did not feel that increase, for the dealers continued to take our milk at the old price. Now, in turn, we are taking as a basis for our rices, the schedule fixed by the federal milk commission for producers and which we should have obtained at the same time that the dealers in Lowell got theirs. There is no reason why, even when we obtain those prices, the dealers should raise their prices, as this action will mean simply restoring the old margin that existed before the federal price fix-

ing."

ALKALI IN SOAP
Bad For the Hair

Soap should be used very carefully, if you want to keep your hair looking its best. Most soaps and prepared shampoos contain too much alkali. This dries the scalp, makes the hair brittle, and ruins it.

The best thing for steady use is just ordinary mildised coconut oil (which is pure and greaseless), and is better than the most expensive soap or anything else you can use.

Take one or two teaspoonsful will cleanse the hair and scalp thoroughly. Simply moisten the hair with water and rub it in. It makes an abundance of rich, creamy lather, which rinses out easily, removing every particle of dust, dirt, dandruff and excessive oil. The hair dries quickly and evenly, and it leaves the scalp soft, and the hair fine and shiny, bright, lustrous, fluffy and easy to manage.

You can get mildised coconut oil at any pharmacy, it's very cheap, and a few ounces will supply every member of the family for months.

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You can STILL buy Chester Clothes with all the wonderful lines, the quality fabric of a \$25 suit at \$15.

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oysters in all forms were served

and later an enjoyable entertainment

program was given, those taking part

being Luder Lapointe, Joseph Boutilier,

Alfred Harnois, Arthur Comtois and

Emery Gauvin. The committee in

charge consisted of J. Z. Chouinard,

chairman; Luder Lapointe, Alfred Harnois, Hormisdas Arvisinis, Achille St-

Pierre and Joseph St-Hilaire.

MOTOR BOAT CLUB

The annual meeting of the Lowell

Motor Boat club was held last night

at the club's headquarters in Paw-

ucket street. Considerable routine

business was transacted and arrangements

were made for the opening of

the boating season and plans for va-

rious events were discussed, but no

formal action was taken. The election

of officers resulted as follows:

James H. Walker, commodore; Ches-

ter Ray, vice commodore; E. O. Page,

recording secretary; N. A. Nichols, fi-

nancial secretary; M. B. Adams, trea-

surer; Daniel Gorman, Walter Tarr and

E. A. Brooks, compose the board of

directors and W. S. Shaw was chosen

trustee for a two-year term.

A saloonkeeper named August

Ives in Saskatoon, which goes

by April 1, has hung this sign in his

saloon window: "The first of April will

be the last of August."

If you want to buy, sell or exchange

anything, try a Sun want ad.

"Keep it in your medicine chest. It stops the cough and lets you rest."

N.E. SAFETY COUNCIL ELECTS OFFICERS

BOSTON, March 22.—The absolute necessity of industrial safety work in the prevention of accidents and the regulation of conditions of labor, in order to win the war now and to maintain normal conditions after the war, was emphasized yesterday at the City club by speakers at the second annual meeting of the New England safety council, a branch of the national safety council and affiliated with the Associated Industries of Massachusetts.

At the business meeting J. W. Higgins of the Worcester Pressed Steel company was elected president of the New England council and T. G. Tommey, director of safety for the William Ellene's Sons company, F. A. Plather of the Boott mills, Lowell, C. E. Paige, manager of the Malden and Melrose Gas Light company, and S. W. Wakeman, general manager of the Fore River and Victory shipbuilding plant at Quincy, vice presidents. E. B. Saunders of Fitchburg was elected secretary and treasurer.

Other officers elected included Dr. R. S. Quinby of Watertown and H. L. Robinson of Worcester, assistant secretaries; W. B. Shoe of the Massachusetts rating and inspection bureau and D. S. Bayor of the Liberty Mutual Insurance company, chairman of the membership and program committees; T. G. Tuckey, director of publicity and chairman of the executive committee.

The executive committee includes the officers and R. M. Turner, general manager of the Associated Industries of Massachusetts; Capt. William C. White of Lowell, George W. Tupper, New England Y.M.C.A. industrial secretary; Dist. Atty. Joseph C. Pelletier, L. G. Von Woodke, secretary and treasurer of the Hampden county safety council, and J. M. Rice of Worcester, secretary and treasurer of the Worcester county safety council.

After Lt. Gov. Calvin Coolidge had assured the council of the co-operation of every department of the state, speaking for Gov. McCall, H. G. Smith, manager of the Bethlehem Shipbuilding corporation, retiring president of the New England safety council, made his annual address on "The Effect of the Safety Movement of the Great World Struggle."

Edwin C. Mirelly, commissioner of the state board of labor and industries, warned against the increase in accidents and urged preventive work. Dr. Kelley of the state board of health also issued a warning against losses through preventable causes of sickness. Other speakers were Commissioner Moyer of the state board of education, who urged a museum of safety appliances in Boston with branches and exhibits throughout the state, and Edward McSweeney of the war efficiency board, who discussed the problems of labor during and after the war.

There are, he declared 20,000 munition workers in and about Boston without adequate housing facilities for them and more are coming into Quincy. He described the disastrous experience of England with women introduced into munition factories without proper housing, and declared that "the problem of America today is the labor problem."

A letter was received from Gov. McCall in which he expressed his hearty approval of any steps taken toward the lessening of industrial accidents.

COMPULSORY PHYSICAL EDUCATION BILL

BOSTON, March 22.—A bill to provide for the appointment by the state board of education of a director of physical education was yesterday reported by the legislative committee on education. The director would have supervision of the physical education in the public schools of the commonwealth.

Under the provisions of the bill the appointment shall be for five years from Sept. 1, 1918, at \$5000 salary. There shall be two assistant directors for the same term, one a woman, at \$2500.

The introduction of physical education is made compulsory in all public schools after Sept. 1, not less than two hours a week and not less than three in high schools, to be given to the department.

New Hampshire Deposits

A bill intended to forestall the threatened withdrawal of New Hampshire money from Massachusetts banks, particularly in the Merrimack river valley cities and towns, has been unanimously reported by the legislative committee on banks and banking on the petition of Representative Essex S. Abbott of Haverhill.

The measure, which is a duplicate of the New Hampshire law, exempts from taxation the deposits of Massachusetts citizens in banks in such states outside Massachusetts as have a similar provision of law.

The committee reported adversely on the petition for the incorporation of the Massachusetts Credit Union bank.

GERMANS FOMENT STRIKES IN ARGENTINA AND URUGUAY

BUENOS AIRES (Correspondence of the Associated Press, Received today).—Belief that German agitators still are using large sums of German money transferred from New York to foment revolutionary labor troubles in Argentina and Uruguay is widespread in both countries. It has been stated in government circles here that Ambassador Naon was bringing from Washington proofs of the activity of German agents in fostering conspiracies against the governments of those two South American countries and Brazil.

It is widely believed here that both Argentina and Uruguay have been kept in continual turmoil through labor troubles and anarchistic outbreaks solely for the purpose of interfering with any assistance they are able to give the entente allies and with the object of indirectly effecting the allied cause by seriously damaging the financial condition of allied industries which have been established in these two re-

gional instances, especially in the case of packing house strikes, not one employee of the companies affected has been represented on the strike committee that visited the managers.

Argentine officials have received offi-

cial information regarding large deposi-

ts of German funds in New York which were transferred to South America when the United States was on the brink of war, it being apparent that the money could be used to better ad-

vantage in neutral countries. These funds were sent to Rio de Janeiro, Montevideo, Lima, Santiago de Chile and Buenos Aires, with the largest deposits centred in this city. The Buenos Aires fund alone at one time is said to have reached a balance of 25,000,000 marks, distributed among several German banking houses here.

It is stated that amounts of this

money were spent for the purchase of arms and ammunition for use in Brazil and it is frankly admitted, even in Brazil, that only the entrance of Brazil into the war put a definite end to these plans.

While these plans were solely mili-

tary as far as Brazil was concerned, the German agitators in Uruguay and Argentina have been content to spend their money keeping laborers and an-

archists busy in their work of destruc-

tion. It is believed here that most of the agitations have been led by German agents who came here from the United States and that one serious railroad strike in Argentina was engineered by the same German subject, who attempted a similar paralyzation of traffic in the United States.

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kind was at the American packing

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sudden and entirely unexpected and the

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THE FARM LABOR PROBLEM

Freckle-Face

Now is the Time to Get Rid of These Ugly Spots

Do you know how easy it is to remove those ugly spots so that no one will call you freckle-face? Simply get an ounce of ointment, double strength, from your druggist and a few applications should show how easy it is to rid yourself of freckles and get a beautiful complexion. The sun and winds of March have a strong tendency to bring out freckles, and as a result more ointment is sold in this month. Be sure to ask for the double strength ointment, as this is sold under guarantee of money back if it fails to remove the freckles.

The following article relative to the city's part in solving the farm labor problem and the responsibility of town people in the production of enough staple food, is by David F. Houston, secretary of agriculture:

Some time ago I issued a statement concerning the farm labor problem. It was pointed out that there will be farm labor difficulties to overcome this year as last and that in certain sections, especially in the neighborhood of large industrial centers, the difficulties will be acute. The lines of effort were indicated along which the departments of agriculture and labor, through representatives in various states co-operating with the agricultural colleges and other agencies, are working to furnish assistance. Briefly restated, these agencies are doing the following things: (a) making a survey of the farm-labor situation in each community with a view to discover possible surpluses of labor in order to

be ready to assist in furnishing labor wherever it is needed; (b) assisting again in shifting labor from community to community and from state to state, as in past years; (c) promoting fuller co-operation among farmers in the same community; (d) making available, so far as possible, high school boys in rural districts who have had experience in farming and who are not normally regularly or fully employed in farming operations; (e) making every effort to see that there is no obstacle in the way of the production of a larger supply of farm machinery and its fuller use as a supplement to hand labor.

Last year, in spite of all the difficulties, the farmers planted the largest acreages in the history of the nation, harvested record crops of most important things except wheat, and succeeded in greatly increasing the number of live stock. Since last year skilled farm labor has been given deferred classification and the secretary of war has asked for power to furnish soldiers of the national army if their training permits, so that they may return to their farms and assist. It is believed that the farmers of the nation can, by effective organization and co-operation, with such assistance as can be furnished, again overcome labor difficulties and produce large quantities of foods, feedstuffs and live stock.

Must Aid Farmers

There is an opportunity now for urban people sympathetically and constructively to study the farm-labor situation and to render assistance. In many towns and cities there are men who have had farming experience, who are able-bodied, and who would doubtless be willing to serve the nation in the field of agriculture at this time. Especially for the seasonal strains of planting, cultivating, and harvesting, it will not be too much to ask such men to aid the farmers in the necessary undertaking of maintaining and, if possible, supplementing, the food supply in order to feed the armies and to sustain the civilian population behind them. If soldiers are willing to serve in the trenches, to dig ditches, build railroads and risk their lives, many civilians can well afford to spare a part of their time to serve in the furrows and in the harvest fields. It appears that the farmers of a community or region are not able to secure the necessary labor by the usual methods, then the leaders in the town or city immediately dependent upon that region should organize, establish touch with representative farm leaders, and see if they cannot assist in solving the problem. In so doing they will not only aid the farmers of the nation but they will vitally contribute to their own well-being and to that of their country.

The farmers are willing to do all that they humanly can but, where their labor supply cannot be furnished from the ordinary sources, it must be recruited from those whose very sustenance depends upon the farmers.

The soldier and the farmer are eager to do their full share; the soldier is

taking the chances of losing his life

and the farmer is risking the labors

of a year on the chance of the seasons;

both incur risks. Very many civilians are equally eager to do their share but may not appreciate the opportunity to serve in the field of agriculture.

The department of agriculture and

labor will render every possible aid,

Mother! Your child isn't naturally cross and peevish. See if tongue is coated; this is a sure sign the little stomach, liver and bowels need a cleansing at once.

When listless, pale, feverish, full of cold, breath had, throat sore, doesn't eat, sleep or act naturally, has stomach-ache, diarrhea, remember, a gentle liver and bowel cleansing should always be the first treatment given.

Nothing equals "California Syrup of Figs" for children's ills: give a tea-spoonful, and in a few hours all the foul waste, sour bile and fermenting food which is clogged in the bowels passes out of the system, and you have a well and playful child again. All children love this harmless, delicious "fruit laxative" and it never fails to effect a good "inside" cleansing. Directions for babies, children of all ages and grown-ups are plainly on the bottle.

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HALT BIG DRIVE
Continued

White the infantry is being held temporarily in check, the artillery battle is still raging, according to indications in the news despatches. Great numbers of Austrian cannon are declared to have been transferred to the western front to reinforce the German artillery. Bulgarians, too, have been brought into the field by the German command, it is declared, the understanding being that they are to be used as a strategic reserve.

German Losses Terrific

Altogether the indications are that the central powers have massed all possible forces at their disposal on the west front for their present drive. All the reports indicate that the German losses have been terrific under the withering fire of the British artillery and machine guns.

Kaiser Directs Attack

Emperor William, Field Marshal von Hindenburg and Gen. von Ludendorff are reported behind the German lines while the attack is in progress.

Activity On Italian Front

Meanwhile the Italian front is beginning to attract more attention. Rome today reports operations becoming more active along the entire line.

Germans Suffer Heavy Losses

In their first onslaught, the enemy, after a gigantic bombardment from great masses of guns, passed the British outposts at some points and at-

tained the battle line, but nowhere did the Germans gain the objectives planned. Regiment after regiment was hurled against the defenses of the British front and Field Marshal Haig reports the German losses as exceptionally heavy.

Desperate Fighting Continues

Desperate fighting continues all along the line from the Somme to the Oise and especially on the Cambrai sector. Enemy efforts before Cambrai were aimed principally to the north and south of the salient left after the fighting ceased there last November with the evident purpose of cutting off the salient and driving through the opening toward the old battlefield of the Somme.

British Ready for Attack

Germany's latest offensive finds both sides prepared for the shock of prolonged and sanguinary combat. For months the Germans have been training troops and moving up guns and supplies behind their lines between Arras and St. Quentin. The British also have been active and were prepared for any blow the enemy might deliver, and had anticipated that the offensive movement would come where it did.

Attack May Be Only a Point

Behind the British lines is the devastated area over which the Germans retreated last March. Field Marshal von Hindenburg declared at the time that the devastation was carried out, not only to hamper the allied armies, but to provide a battlefield for the future. The German attack may be only a point but a large breach in the British lines might involve the safety of Paris and Amiens and the French channel ports from the mouth of the Seine to Belgium.

British Attack Oustend

British monitors and naval aircraft have made a combined attack on Ostend, Belgium, a German aerial and submarine base, and British seaplanes have attacked, ending mine sweepers near Helgoland with machine gun fire. In the attack on Ostend British airmen brought down the German machines while the monitors bombarded the town heavily.

Germany May War on Holland

Germany, according to unofficial reports from The Hague, considers that the attitude of Holland toward the Anglo-American shipping demand has changed the relations between the German and Dutch governments. The same report says that Germany would take it as a cause of war if Holland should abandon her remaining demands regarding the use of seized Dutch ships by the United States and Great Britain.

Germans Attack French Front

PARIS, March 21.—The Germans are carrying out a heavy bombardment along several sectors of the front. It is announced officially. Three infantry attacks near Hurus were broken up by the French. The statement follows: "During the day the German artillery kept up a very violent bombardment between the Miette and the Aisne, in the whole Rhine region and on the Champagne front, especially between the region of the heights and Ville-sur-

Tourbe. Our batteries everywhere replied energetically.

"In the sector of Hurus the Germans made three attacks, but were repulsed."

Decisive Battle for Peace

LONDON, March 22.—"We are now entered on a decisive battle for general peace," says the Tagesschre Rundschau of Berlin, according to an Exchange telegraph despatch from Copenhagen in announcing that the commencement of the German offensive in the west is received with great interest by the German people, who will follow it with feverish interest. The newspaper adds: "A single combat between England and Germany, which is to decide the war, our future position in the world and whether the Anglo-Saxons shall continue to press their will on the world, is opened today."

Enemy Held By British

LONDON, March 22.—The eagerly awaited British official statement of to-day which was expected to give further details of the tremendous fighting indicated in last night's reports, was read with great satisfaction insofar as it revealed that the enemy had been held and had suffered great losses.

If this turns out to be the great German offensive that has been predicted, the preliminary round appears to have gone in favor of the entente, although, as the official report points out, further heavy fighting is still to be expected.

The tremendous artillery duel was heard more distinctly than ever in Koeh last night. Houses were continually shaken as the result of the violent concussions. The statement follows:

"Fighting continued until a late hour last night on the whole front between the River Oise and the River Sambre. Our troops continue to hold the enemy in their battle positions."

During the enemy's attacks yesterday his massed infantry offered remarkable targets to our rifles, machine guns and artillery, of which full advantage was taken by our troops. All the reports testify to the exceedingly heavy losses suffered by the enemy.

"No serious attack has yet developed this morning but heavy fighting is still to be expected."

The statement follows:

"British Gain in Counter Attacks" BRITISH ARMY HEADQUARTERS IN FRANCE, March 22.—Vigorous counter-attacks late yesterday restored some of the positions which the British had abandoned temporarily. The fighting is still continuing, but the first stage of the offensive has passed. The enemy has failed badly in the execution of his program, as is attested by captured documents showing what he planned to do in the early hours of his offensive. The exact British line cannot be made public at present. The only reason is that it might furnish the enemy with valuable information.

Germans Attacked in Waves

Last night was fairly quiet along the front. This morning, the Germans were bombing in the region of Croiselles. There were indications that they intended to continue their attacks today. The weather is cold and bleak. A heavy mist makes air reconnaissances impossible. This is of advantage to the British, as the enemy is deprived of greatly needed aerial observation.

The Germans in many sections yesterday attacked in three waves of infantry, followed by shock troops. As a result, they suffered very heavy casualties.

The heavily massed German artillery has been badly hammered by the British guns. One of the most brilliant British counter-attacks occurred at Douai. The British advanced with infantry and tanks at 7 p.m., and after fierce fighting drove out the enemy.

LETTER CARRIER SHOT BY BOY WHILE DELIVERING MAIL

IN HIGHLANDS

A boy who resides in the vicinity of Tyler park appeared before Judge Enright in the juvenile court this morning upon complaint that he had shot Letter Carrier Simon J. Kelley in the leg. By agreement the matter was continued for two weeks.

It is alleged that while Mr. Kelley has been traversing his route the boy in question had set a dog on him and last Saturday fired a shot from an air rifle which penetrated the carrier's leg. The matter was reported to the postmaster and as a result the father of the boy was informed that no more mail matter would be delivered at the house owing to the presence of the dog and attitude of the son. The matter was referred to the superintendent of police with the result that the boy was summoned into court today.

BARTENDERS MAY STRIKE

Unless the demand of a minimum wage of \$25 a week for the bartenders is granted it is expected that there will be a general walkout. A largely attended meeting of the bartenders was held last night at 32 Middle street. The meeting was called to order shortly after midnight and after the members had been addressed by Alessio, Charles L. Maron and Anthony Conway of the Lowell Liquor Dealers' association the bartenders discussed the matter and they were practically unanimous in declaring that if the minimum wage was not granted there would be a general strike. The bartenders feel confident that the wage increase will be granted without resorting to a walkout. The meeting came to a close at two o'clock this morning.

"LOWELL NIGHT" UNDER AUSPICES OF LOWELL BOARD OF TRADE—PROMINENT SPEAKERS

Notices have been sent out to members of the board of trade apprising them of the coming "Lowell night" to be held under the auspices of the body on Monday, April 1, at the state armory in Westford street. From pres-

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BUTTER, Best Fresh Made	Elgin Lard, lb.	45c	Cudahy's Rex Pure White Lard, lb.	27c	EGGS, Fresh Western, Doz.	40c
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Pork Shoulders	Potatoes	Pork Butts
lb. 19c	Very Best Large No. 1 Maine Stock, 15 lb. Peck	lb. 22c

PORK LOINS, Lb. 22c	Medium Size Potatoes, 15 lbs. Flake White, the best lard substitute, lb.	23c 25c
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CORN FED SMALL WHOLE PIGS, Lb. 23c 25c	PORK LOINS, Sweet Pickled Shoulders, lb. 21c
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GENUINE LAMB FORES	LEG AND LOIN MUTTON FORES	PORK, for Beans, Sugar Cured Shoulders, Lb. 20c
Lb. 18c	Genuine Lamb Lb. 25c	Lb. 25c Lb. 20c

BEANS, Webster's Best Red, can.	THICK SALT PORK, lb. 25c	PORK, for Beans, lb. 20c
12c	lb. 25c	lb. 20c

BACON, Sugar Cured, Smoked, lb. 30c	SLICED LIVER, lb. 7c	CHUCK ROAST, lb. 14c
lb. 30c	lb. 7c	lb. 14c

FRESH CALVES' PLUCKS, Lb. 15c	Choice Cuts TENDER-LOIN STEAK, lb. 29c	Small Boiled Fancy Hams, to slice, lb. 37c
15c	lb. 29c	lb. 37c

DELICATESSEN	Neufchâtel Cheese, pck. 7c	CRACKERS, Celery, bkt. 12c
Cooked Ham, lb. 37c	Pimento Cheese, pck. 12c	Lettuce, bkt. 10c
Frankfurts, lb. 17c	Choc. Charms, lb. 30c	Kale, pk. 20c
Pressed Ham, lb. 12c	Hor. Fingers, lb. 30c	Beets, lb. 5c
Wined Ham, lb. 18c	Creme Cheese, pck. 12c	Horse Radish, 3 for 25c
Veal Loaf, lb. 25c	Hydrox, lb. 41c	New Cabbage, lb. 5c
Beef Loaf, lb. 22c	Cheese Wafers, lb. 30c	Carrots, 3 for 30c
H. C. Tuna, lb. 10c	Welsh Rabbit, pck. 12c	Parsnips, 3 for 10c
Holstein Sausage, lb. 30c	Takhomas, doz. 30c	New Potatoes, 3 for 25c
Welsh Rabbit, pck. 12c	Butter Thins, pck. 12c	Sweet Potatoes, 3 for 25c
Prepared Corned Beef, lb. 35c	Roasted Crackers, 12c	White Turnips, 5c

FRUIT	Butter Thins, pck. 12c	White Turnips, 5c
BUTTER	Bananas, doz. 25c	Yellow Turnips, 5c
Limbiger Cheese, lb. 35c	Oranges, doz. 25c	2 for 25c
Y. A. Cheese, lb. 35c	Cocoanuts, 3 for 25c	2 for 25c
Full Cream, lb. 32c	Apples, doz. 35c	2 for 25c
Rich Old Cheese, lb. 35c	Grapefruit, 3 for 10c	2 for 25c
10c	Dates, pck. 40c	2 for 25c

VEGETABLES	Lemons, doz. 40c	Garlic, 3 for 25c
Butterbeans, 15c	Green Beans, qt. 12c	Squash, 16c
Spinach, pck. 25c	Carrots, 12c	Common Onions, 16c
Cauliflower, 15c	Onions, 12c	Bermuda Onions, 16c

MILK	Legs, lb. 14½c	Lamb
FED	Steak, lb. 22c	Leg and Loin, lb. 23c
FAVANCY	Chops, lb. 14c	Forequarters, lb. 17c

FANCY VERNONT	LARGE, SOFT ROAST-TURKEYS, lb. 33c	BEEF—HEAVY RUMP BUTTS, lb. 20c
42c	lb. 33c	lb. 20c

PORK BUTTS, lb. 21c	CHUCK ROAST, lb. 14c	THICK HEAVY SALT PORK, lb. 25c
21c	lb. 14c	lb. 25c

Fresh Sliced Liver, lb. 7c	Sugar Cured Bacon, lb. 30c
No. 3 Pail Compound Lard, 79c	Table Butterine, lb. 24c

COCOA, Pure, Sweet, lb. 17c	RICH OLD TASTY CHEESE, lb. 17c	COFFEE, Fresh Roast, lb. 17c
17c	lb. 17c	lb. 17c

Boneless, Rolled RIBS, lb. 20c	CORNED SPARE RIBS, lb. 19c	Brisket, CORNED BEEF, lb. 12½c
20c	lb. 19c	lb. 12½c

15c	Bottle Tomato Catsup, hot. 11c	FEET, lb. 7c
11c	Self-Raising Flour, pck. 12½c	12½c

TOMATOES, 15c cans	SUGAR CORN, 15c cans	PAUL HART PEAS, can. 9c
12c	12c	13c

Ceylon Tea, Golden Tips, Lb. 45c	Mixed Tea, Lb. 31c	Tea, Lb. 31c
45c	31c	31c

COD FISH BITS, lb. 10c	SALT MACKEREL, each 7c	SALT HERRING, each 5c
10c	each 7c	each 5c

CHOICE RUMP STEAK, No Waste, Lb. 21c	21c	21c
21c	21c	21c

SMOKED SUGAR CURED MEATS	ARMOUR'S STAR HAMS, lb. 33c
	SMOKED SHOULDERS, lb. 22c

	DANAHY'S BACON, STRIP, lb. 39c
	JOHN MORRELL'S BACON, lb. 39c

	HOME CURED, LÉAN, lb. 34c
	SMOKED BRISKET BACON, lb. 37c

	SCOTCH STYLE BACON, lb. 35c
	6 BARS, 25c

	Wool Soap, 6 Bars, 25c
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DRAFT OBJECTORS INTO ARMY

WASHINGTON, March 22.—President Wilson yesterday directed that conscientious objectors be drafted into the national army, and those who are unwilling to accept non-combatant service as provided in the draft law shall, in extreme cases, be confined in disciplinary barracks, but when they do not actually disobey a command shall be held for whatever disposition the secretary of war may make of their cases.

Each such objector is to be given the benefit of a full explanation of the law by a "tacit and considerate officer," and so far as possible will be given the choice of a wide range of activities, including almost everything except actual fighting. In accordance with the president's order the secretary of war will revise sentences of courts-martial heretofore held of persons who come within the conscientious objectors' class, and judgments at variance with the order will be changed.

After April 1 and each month thereafter, division, camp and post commanders are to report to the secretary of war the names of all conscientious objectors, with a brief statement of the character of the objections of each one. Pending decision of the secretary of war, they will be segregated, as much as possible in the camp, but will not be subjected to undue hardships. The executive order of the president does not set forth what action the secretary of war may finally take. It does state, however, that men who wilfully disobey a command shall be court-martialed and may be confined.

Objectors who have no preference will be assigned to the medical corps, but they may serve in the quartermaster's department, all branches of which are considered non-combative, in any engineer work in the United States, or in the rear of the zone of operations abroad. The last department includes work on auxiliary defences, wharves, docks, supply, depot services, and activities requiring thousands of men.

Any man who is drafted but fails to report because of alleged conscientious scruples will be treated as a deserter.

SAYS WEST WILL RISE AGAINST I. W. W.

WASHINGTON, March 22.—Warnings that the people of the Pacific Northwest, tired of I.W.W. activities, may take the law into their own hands to suppress treasonable conduct; charges that the government itself has "condoned" the leaders and predictions that sabotage and other hampering action to embarrass the government's aircraft program are likely to break out in the spring and summer; featured the Senate debate yesterday on the administration bill to empower the government to commandeer timber and conduct logging operations.

The debate flared up so suddenly and lasted so long that time allotted for considering the bill was used up and Chairman Chamberlain of the military committee let it go over for action later.

Senators declared the government should act swiftly and drastically to meet what they characterized as a menace to the people. Senator Chamberlain declared it might be necessary to send troops into the spruce forests to protect workers getting out the precious timbers for the airplanes. "The I.W.W. will not allow men to work in the forests," he said.

Senator Borah of Idaho declared the government could deal adequately with the I.W.W. without resort to force and by orderly lawful action.

Without mentioning the name of the I.W.W. leader to whom he referred, the Idaho senator declared:

"The government now has in its possession the evil genius of the I.W.W., a professional criminal for 20 years, who has taken the lives of at least 18 men. The I.W.W. believe he leads a charmed life. The best thing to crush the I.W.W. would be to punish him on the evidence of his treason."

TO ASK PARDON FOR THOMAS J. MOONEY

SAN FRANCISCO, March 22.—Application for the pardon of Thomas J. Mooney is to be filed with Governor Stephens immediately after the state supreme court issues the remittitur on its decision affirming Mooney's conviction and death sentence in connection with the preparedness day bomb explosion here in July, 1916. The remittitur will be issued automatically on March 31, under the regular procedure.

Maxwell McNutt, counsel for Mooney, said today that the issuance of the remittitur would close any possibility of re-opening the case in the courts and would leave the disposition of Mooney's fate entirely in the governor's hands.

FOR NAVAL AVIATION UNIT TO BE
SENT FROM BOSTON TO
IRELAND

BOSTON, March 22.—Opportunities for New England mechanics to enlist in a naval aviation unit to be sent from here for service in Ireland were given in a call for recruits made today by Chief Gunner McEwan at the navy yard. The unit will contain 450 men and the principal need now is for house carpenters, structural iron workers, boilermakers and bricklayers.

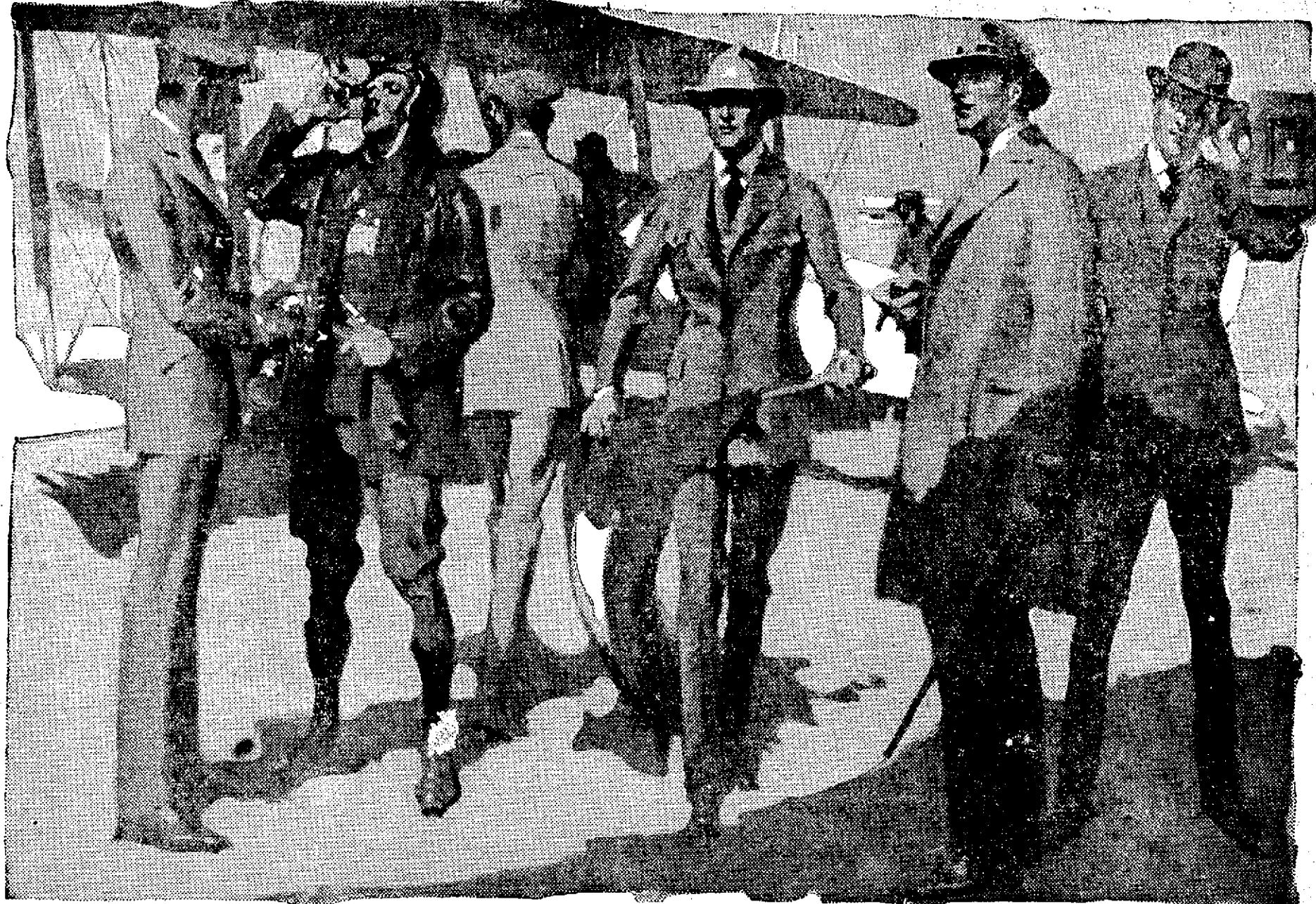
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SAYS NEW ENGLAND WILL GET HARD COAL

SPRINGFIELD, March 22.—James J. Storrow, New England fuel administrator, speaking late yesterday afternoon before the New England Coal Dealers' association, brought word that the anti-bituminous coal operators had promised to care for New England's needs first all this summer. They owe this territory this consideration, he declared.

A marked increase in coal receipts has been noted since March 1, and this will be continued. His message to the dealers was to get their coal as early as possible, and he urged them to pass along the same word to every householder.

The outlook for bituminous coal supply for next winter, however, Mr. Storrow said, was poor; even worse than in the winter just passed. New England depends much upon water transportation, and the shipping board will make no promise to carriers. Only recently the navy department has commanded one tug and a collier, thereby measurably curtailing deliveries. In closing, Mr. Storrow praised the New England dealers for their co-operation during the winter.

Mr. Storrow stated that New England has far outgrown her railroads, and that the whole country is practically in the same condition. He also brought out the shortage of steamers and barges for the shipment of coal, stating that this condition is distressing and that it is constantly growing worse.

"We have been assured by the railway administration that the railroads will do their part in moving the coal we need to tidewater ports," he said. "But here comes the rub. So far, we have been totally unable to get the shipping board to undertake to furnish the shipping which New England absolutely must have unless it is to find its industries completely disorganized and disrupted next winter."

"The shipping board has given us some ships, but they have taken many more than they have given New England."

Next year's convention will be in Worcester.

ANOTHER REPORT THAT KAISER SEEKS PEACE

LONDON, March 22.—Semi-official negotiations are on foot between Germany and the entente in which Germany is displaying a strong inclination for peace. The Catholic newspaper *Nieuwsblad van het Heilige Land* says it has learned the Central News correspondent at Amsterdam reports.

The Amsterdam newspaper is quoted as adding that the information is that no basis of official negotiations was reached by March 27, the German offensive in the west would be begun.

According to reports from Petrograd, dated Wednesday, a rumor is current at Moscow that Germany has offered important concession to the allies conditioned upon the recognition of the Brest Litovsk treaty of peace.

SOCIAL AND FRATERNAL

The regular meeting of Division 1, A.O.H. was held last night in Hibernian hall, President James O'Sullivan in the chair. John P. Sheehan was elected recording secretary to fill the vacancy caused by Brother Murphy, who is now in the service of the United States, leaving the city.

It is the purpose of this division to make it the largest in Middlesex county and with that idea in mind the following membership committee was appointed:

Brothers McMullin, Connally, Green, Sheehan, Fitzgerald, Downs, Murphy, O'Sullivan, Smith, Sheedy, J. P. Sheehan, John Morris, Stapleton, Sullivan and Jarrett.

The following delegates were appointed to attend the county board convention to be held in Woburn, March 31: President O'Sullivan, Vice President Dr. Bagley, Secretaries John P. Sheehan and James J. Sheehan and Treasurer Michael Connally.

A committee consisting of 10 members was appointed to run a dance in the near future. Eight applications for membership were received and two new members admitted.

The coupon contest closed last night and the following were the lucky ones: First prize, suit of clothes given by the Richard Clothes Shop, D. Collins, 80 Elm, Hope street; second prize, toilet set, Fred McMahon, Iowa street; third prize, umbrella, John Considine, 127 Blossom street; fourth prize, \$21-2 gold piece, John J. Cassidy, East Chelmsford.

SCHWAB GIVES \$25,000 TO K. OF C. WAR FUND

NEW YORK, March 22.—The Knights of Columbus had obtained a total of \$1,886,254 last night, the end of the fourth day of their campaign to raise \$2,500,000 in the archdiocese of New York for welfare work among American troops in the United States and abroad. In announcing the official total last night, leaders expressed confidence of passing their goal by March 25, when the drive ends.

A cable despatch from Secretary of War Baker, who is now inspecting the American expeditionary force in France, was read yesterday at a meeting of the committee.

Magnitude of operations of the American expeditionary force increases constantly the importance of recreational facilities," Secretary Baker's message said. "More power to you in your war fund campaign in co-operation with the Y.M.C.A. and Red Cross." A contribution of \$25,000 from Chas. M. Schwab was reported yesterday.

PETERS DENIES HARVARD UNIT LOSS AT SEA

BOSTON, March 22.—Major Peters at farewell dinner last night to a base hospital unit soon to leave the Boston City hospital for war service emphatically denied rumors which had been circulating here that one of the so-called Harvard units, including Boston physicians and nurses had been lost.

"There is not one atom of truth in that rumor," the major said, "and I think the citizens of this country should be informed as to the true state of affairs. The members of the unit are safe and sound somewhere abroad doing their work for humanity."

SIGNED BY PRES. WILSON

Chalifoux's Realization of a Dream

The LITTLE GRAY SHOPS FOR CHILDREN

Will Have Their Easter Opening Tomorrow

Mothers and children and the public in general are invited to be our guests. But please do not look at the floor. We have to apologize for not having it covered. Delays are to be expected in war times and our floor covering is delayed or temporarily lost in the transit. However the old wood floor is spotlessly scrubbed, and if you are not too critical will not detract from the wonderful Little Gray Shops.

SOUVENIRS FOR CHILDREN ACCOMPANIED BY ADULTS. THE DISTRIBUTION BEGINS AT TEN O'CLOCK AND IS LIMITED TO FIVE HUNDRED

We are told by the architects (of national reputation) who planned the Little Gray Shops, that no city the size of Lowell or very much larger, can boast of anything to compare.

For several years we have dreamed of a children's store that would rival New York, Chicago, and other large cities we need to tide over.

Now we have added the big building in the rear of our main store and the larger part of the second floor has been transformed into the Little Gray Shops.

The Gray Shops are a complete outfitting store for infants and children up to six and for girls up to fourteen. The idea is to save you the bother of walking around from place to place. So if you will come to Chalifoux's we will save you much time and many unnecessary steps.

THE LITTLE GRAY SHOPS FOR INFANTS AND CHILDREN

Will Sell

COATS

SOFT SHOES

DRESSES

SWEATERS

KNITTED JACKETS

UNDERWEAR

CARRIAGE ROBES

BONNETS

HOSIERY

MITTENS

and

BLANKETS

UNDERWEAR

COATS

HOSIERY

GLOVES

NECKWEAR

THE LITTLE GRAY SHOPS FOR GIRLS AND JUNIORS

Will Sell

RIBBONS

DRESSES

SHOES

SWEATERS

MILLINERY

Service—Courtesy—Quality—Chalifoux Value

Chalifoux Easter Styles

PERSONALLY SELECTED BY MRS. BROMLEY SHEPARD

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LOWELL MASS

SUCCESSFUL IN GETTING SUITS FOR OPENING WILL HAVE ONE HUNDRED IN CHECKS STRIPES NAVYS

AND COLORS FEW JERSEYS WONDERFUL MODELS STRICTLY TAILORED NOT MORE THAN THREE OF ANY STYLE ALL SIZES AND EXCELLENT VALUE THESE SUITS WOULD RETAIL FOR \$35 TO \$45 OUR SPECIAL PRICE IS \$25 ALSO A WONDERFUL LINE OF

GOWNS IN JERSEY TAFFETA GEORGETTE CREPE

MRS BROMLEY SHEPARD

825-AM

We call your particular attention to that part of the telegram referring to suits made to sell for \$35 and \$45, which we shall have priced at \$25 while any remain.

Our customers may have our assurance that the unusual style that has distinguished our other spring models applies to these suits.

"Different" is the word that expresses more about Chalifoux style than miles of description.

Basement Specials for Easter Shoppers

Prices are so low in our Basement on dependable qualities that we now designate our Specials by the term

CHALIFOUX SUPER-VALUE

An excellent selection of WOMEN'S COATS. They are made in full enveloping style with deep cape collars, some have silk over-collars and novelty pockets, straight and two-piece belt. The cloth, Wool Poplin, all wool Delhi and Burilla. All the wanted shades of the season \$12.98

DRESSES, in the most correct and newest spring styles. Fabrics and colors, not one or two, but dozens and dozens of them. They are Crepe de chine Dresses, Taffeta Silk Dresses, Silk Poplin Dresses, Striped Messaline Dresses—all at one price \$7.98

A few High Grade FOULARD DRESSES, this Spring's newest designs, at \$8.98

Boys' New Spring Military Caps in khaki \$1.00 and \$1.50

Boys' New Spring Hats in cloth, all new patterns 50c

Boys' New Spring Caps 50c and 75c

Boys' Negligee Shirts in percale with or without collar, 75c and \$1.00

Pantry Sets

59c

Hundreds visit our fifth floor housewares department on Saturday. Here's one of the inducements:

Three Covered Tin Canisters. Painted and japanned in cream white with blue lettering, one each for flour, coffee and tea. Saturday only. Set 59c

FIFTH FLOOR

EX-SEN. WARNER MILLER OF NEW YORK DEAD

NEW YORK, March 22.—Warner Miller, who was United States senator from New York from 1881 to 1887, died in a hospital here yesterday, aged 72. Former Senator Miller was a republican and at one time a leading figure in national politics. He was a delegate to the national republican convention in 1872, a member of the New York state legislature in 1874 and 1876, was elected to congress in 1878 and served two years, resigning to take his seat in the senate. At Herkimer, N.

Y. he had large paper manufacturing interests, but retired some time ago from active business.

Mr. Miller was born at Hannibal, N. Y. He graduated from Union college in 1858, was professor of Greek and Latin at St. Edward College in 1860 and 1861, then enlisted in the 12th New York cavalry regiment and served under Gen. Sherman. He rose to the rank of lieutenant and was taken prisoner at the battle of

the proposed high school, he converted into drill grounds for the pupils of the high school. Mr. McKay called on Commissioner Warnock of the

public property last evening, and conferred with him on the advisability of such action. Mr. McKay thought it would not cost much to fill the gaps caused by the removal of buildings, and he said the land would be in great condition for drilling. At present the girls of the school drill in the basement of the building, while the boys conduct their drills on the street.

Commissioner Warnock agreed with Mr. McKay that the place would make a good site for a drill park, but he said there were some obstructions and some real ones. He said in order to convert the land into a drill park, it would be necessary to remove the steel which is now stored on the

premises, and that would mean the expenditure of a large sum of money, for it would require a large gang of men and derricks to do the work.

CONGRESS HEARS DETAILS OF NEW OFFENSIVE

WASHINGTON, March 22.—Mem-

bers of the house military committee heard the first meagre details of yesterday's German attack as received by the war department when they met to-day with the war council under the new policy adopted by Acting Secretary Crowell of taking congress into the confidence of the government. The

representatives that nothing has come from the fighting front as yet to indicate the scope of the German government.

The committee members again were informed in detail of the progress made in all branches of American war preparations. They appeared satisfied that every possible effort is being exerted by the war department to hasten the war program.

Members of the senate committee will meet the war council again tomorrow. Arrangements for joint sessions have not been completed.

WOMEN OF LOWELL ASKED TO CONTRIBUTE TO FOOD EXHIBIT AT BON MARCHÉ

The wheat substitute exhibit at the store of the Bon Marché Dry Goods Co.,

Telephone 4332-3.

Over two billion extra days for food-raising to help win the war.

Daylight saving will not be popular with the Kaiser.

But YOU'LL like it.

And there's another saving that commands enthusiastic approval,

MONEY-SAVING ON GOOD CLOTHES FOR EASTER AT

Chalifoux's Corner

ESTABLISHED 1875

Chalifoux value is making this store the preferred shopping center of hosts.

Chalifoux profit is equitable—10 to 15 per cent lower than customary in the average store.

Third Floor Specials for Saturday and Monday

Hundreds of customers are now going to our Third Floor daily where dozens went before.

CURTAIN VALUES

Sash Curtains—600 pairs of serim, marquisette, muslin, and lace each curtain at extraordinary savings for our customers. Values .25c, .35c, .40c and .50c. Special pair 21c

\$2.50 Novelty Net Curtains—150 pairs of these neat curtains, made of novelty net with all-over patterns and finished with a neat edge, in white and ecru. Pair \$1.79

\$1.25 Lace Curtains—Made of good Egyptian yarn with large border patterns, others with all-over showy designs. Pair \$9c

\$3.50 Marquisette Curtains—Choice of many designs of these well wearing curtains, some with neat hand-drawn borders with hand-made edges, others with neat clumsy insertions and edges, in white and ecru. Pair \$2.75

\$2.00 Muslim Curtains—Extra good quality muslin, with neat two-inch ruffle. Splendid chamber curtain. Pair \$1.49

20c and 25c Curtaining—Good quality scrim with neat double bordered pattern, suitable for long or short curtains. Yard 15c

29c and 35c Madras—300 yards of this splendid wearing material, with neat all-over

Lowell, Friday March 22, 1918

The Footwear of the Nation
For Men
\$3.50
\$5.00
For Easter

Ask For No. 320—
One of the most beautiful lasts
and strongest values in high
style. Made in rich
Burgundy Tan, also in Black
Gum Metal.
English last. \$3.50
Invisible eye
lets. Verysmart.

Ask For No. 360—
This Snappy, Stylish Oxford
comes in tan, black and leather. \$3.50
as above.

OUR alert foresighted-
ness, gigantic distribution and advance
preparations have enabled
us to give you greater money's worth in shoes of dis-
tinction than ever. Why pay \$6 and \$7 when you can
get all the satisfaction in the world here for \$3.50 and
\$5.00?

These are two of the smart styles you'll see
on best dressed men Easter Sunday. They are very
beautiful and stylish. See them tomorrow.

Newark Shoe Stores Co.
5 Central Street, Near Merrimack Street
Open Monday and Saturday Nights Till 10.00
257 Stores in 97 Cities.

EVERY BOY CAN RAISE A PIG OR TWO

Boys should be encouraged to build pens and feeder troughs in a workmanlike manner and to contribute all posts and wood which is subject to constant wetting.

For several years the boys' and girls' clubs have been giving a great deal of attention to hog raising in every state. The Smith-Lever fund which has been appropriated by congress has enabled the thorough organization of boys' and girls' club work everywhere.

A state leader, who is paid partly by the government and partly by the agricultural colleges, is now at work in every state organizing clubs under the supervision of local club leaders. Many plans have been adopted and the bankers and public-spirited citizens everywhere have become interested in supplying capital in order to give these boys a start. These clubs sometimes include the raising of only one pig in competition with 30 or 40 other

boys in the neighborhood. One of the best plans which has been introduced is the supplying of bred sows to the boys who give their note to the local banker and the animals are selected through the club leaders with the assistance of the best swine men in the vicinity.

One of the contracts which the boys make with the banks is that they will return one or two of the little pigs from the litter in payment of the note which is due generally in one year.

Feeding for Success

The question of feeding is one of the most important items. The American Feed Manufacturers' association has, through its members, offered to give full information and to make special arrangements through local dealers whereby boys can get their entire supply of feed in case of a feed shortage at home. This enables a good many boys in suburban towns and in places where feed is difficult to obtain to be sure of their supply.

The Bankers' association of the various states, through their agricultural committees, are also interested in giving the boys a start.

The National Lumber Manufacturers' association is co-operating in fur-

nishing detailed plans for hog-houses, farrowing pens and feeding devices.

A Clever Self Feeder

One of the ways for feeding little pigs is to place the feed in the self-feeding box, and in order to keep the older pigs from "hogging" the little pigs' rations, a fence is constructed about the feeder, the lower board of which is placed low enough for the little pigs to go under while keeping out the older pigs.

The State Lumber associations are asking the retail lumber dealers to furnish a bill of materials which will enable the boys to build without waste. All of the work can be done by school boys, and they will take great delight in raising a family of pigs, and the local rivalry among the club members is intense.

Perhaps no other plan has ever been introduced which does so much to keep the boys interested in farm operations.

As a rule, the boy member of the pig club learns to beat his father raising pigs, because of his working under the scientific direction of his mentor, and while this offers a great hope for the future, it also teaches father a lot of practical things about pigs which he never would have learned had the boy not blazed the trail.

DEMAND FOR COAL CARDS DROPPING OFF—MORE COAL RECEIVED TODAY

The priority cards which the local fuel committee has been issuing to Lowell people who are out of coal for the past few months are gradually going out more slowly. One day last winter a total of 527 cards were given out. Yesterday only 43 were distributed.

Spring, warm weather and a watchful waiting policy in regard to the settlement of the price of coal are attributed as the reasons for the dropping off.

Eleven cars of hard coal and 17 of soft, totalling 150 tons, was today's shipment to Lowell.

CHICKENS QUICKEST AND MOST POPULAR MEAT

Every family should raise its own chickens. There is enough waste in the ordinary family to keep a large enough flock to supply the family with eggs.

If you want to go into the chicken business, it might be well to start an incubator right away, but for the beginner and for the old hand, too, the baby chick proposition is the most attractive.

Hatching eggs, while no mystery, is one of the things that requires practice to obtain the best results, and while eggs subjected to extremes of heat and cold may hatch, the chicks are liable to be weakened and crippled, and subject to all sorts of trouble. Therefore, if you have not the facilities, it is probably best to buy baby chicks from the hatcheries because they are alive and ready for business and save at least three weeks in getting started. Give them a trial and order a shipment of the breed you favor, or get a few dozen for the children to have for their own—they will take mighty good care of them.

The poultry clubs which are organized in every state are undertaking the work under the direction of the local leaders, who in turn are supervised by the state leader of boys' and girls' club work under the auspices of the state university and the United States department of agriculture. In some states there is a boys' and girls' club organ-

ized in every school and they will do much to add to our meat supply.

Properly ground and balanced chick feed is an essential, and must be clean and sweet and should be composed of a mixture of several grains, cracked or broken quite fine. A one-grain diet will not allow chicks to develop properly and the combination feed is best. Fine, sharp grit should be supplied to them, either with the feed or separately. An unfailing supply of animal food is important if the chicks are to grow up husky and big-framed. Meat crisps, or meat or fish scraps are good, and may be fed with the mash or in a separate box.

A hungry chick will eat dry mash greedily but will never overfeed on it, as is the case sometimes in wet feed. We believe that the prepared standard chick feeds that may be obtained in almost any town will be best for the average poultry raiser, as the ordinary farm usually hasn't the necessary machinery to make the feed, nor the necessary grains, and of course the town dweller, where chickens are raised in the back yard, has no facilities whatever.

These feeds are as cheap as feeding farm grains and more efficacious, and above all are properly balanced to make the chickens grow strong and thrifty.

As the chicks grow older, coarser cracked grains are substituted until the regular scratch feed is all right. The mash is continued right along. It is just as necessary that the scratch feed be balanced and the larger grains cracked as for the chick feed. Feeding whole corn is wasteful and the chickens are not properly nourished. No one grain is all-sufficient.

Wherever there is a poultry club a local feed dealer should be found who will make special inducements in supplying any ingredients or mixtures which may be required.

The coop for setting hen and chicks may be built by any boy who can drive a nail. The bill of lumber and hardware is supplied and any club can make advantageous bargains with the local lumber yard and hardware dealer.

If you have trouble with rats it would be well to line it with wire netting.

The children love this kind of work, and if they are given a proprietary interest in the chickens and the eggs, they will make a big success, especially if they have joined the poultry club at school.

BILL OF MATERIALS—Sides, 2 pieces 1x8

10 ft. long; sides, 1 piece 1x8 4 ft. long;

end, 1 piece 1x8 10 ft. long; top, 2

pieces 1x8 10 ft.; slats, 3 pieces 1x12 10

ft.; brace, 1 piece 1x4 4 ft.; 2 pairs 2x2

door butts and screws; 2 pairs door

hooks and screws; 1½ lbs. 6d nails.

LOWELL BOY MANAGER OF THE

HOLY CROSS BASEBALL TEAM.

John M. Padden, son of Mr. and Mrs.

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will leave next Monday for an extended trip to the south as manager of the Holy Cross baseball team.

There will go with him 15 members who make up the squad. The journey will take Mr. Padden through many

picturesque parts of the south including

Richmond, Va., where they will play

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EASTER Sale

ON
NEW
SPRING
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COATS
DRESSES
SKIRTS
ETC.

SUITS at \$12.98, \$15, \$18.50, \$22.50
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COATS a \$8.98, \$12.98, \$15, \$18.50
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DRESSES at \$7.98, \$9.98, \$12.50, \$14.75
AND UP

SKIRTS at \$3.98, \$5.00, \$6.50, \$7.50
AND UP

Over 2500 New Garments to choose from, at a saving of from \$5.00 to \$10.00 what you will be asked elsewhere.

We cordially invite our friends and the public in general to call and look our goods over, price them, try them on, whether you buy or not. It is to your advantage to trade at

LEMKIN'S CLOAK & SUIT STORE

Where High Prices Are Not Known
228 MERRIMACK STREET OPP. ST. ANNE'S CHURCH
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THE STORE FOR THRIFTY PEOPLE

1000 EASTER WAISTS
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REG. PRICES

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and

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ALL
PERFECT
and
FRESH



1000 Clean, Crisp

REPLIES TO SEN. LODGE

Sen. Jones Defends Hoover and Garfield — Not to Blame for Sugar and Coal Shortage

WASHINGTON, March 22.—Speaking in defense of the food and fuel administration in the senate today, Senator Jones of New Mexico exonerated both of blame for the recent sugar and coal shortage. He declared their price-fixing policies had saved the country from "chaos and confusion."

Senator Jones was a member of the manufacturers' sub-committee which investigated the sugar and coal shortage, spoke in reply to Senator Lodge of Massachusetts, who recently denounced price-fixing as a "failure, blameworthy fuel scandal on Administrator Garfield and asserted that the sugar shortage was largely artificial."

"Let these organizations alone," urged Senator Jones. "If they need more power give it. Don't badger or heckle them. On the other hand, help and encourage them. Let us not say to the world that the affairs of our government at this time are in incompetent hands. To the contrary let us tell the truth and say to the world that the resources of this country are being successfully mobilized for the purposes of the war."

Senators Lodge's Criticism

Senator Jones' response to the Massachusetts senator's criticism of the fuel administration as being a "bureau largely composed of amateurs." He declared the fuel and food administrators were both well qualified, and with the organizations they had created, were serving the country solely for patriotic reasons.

Senator Lodge's speech was referred to as an "example of studied and deliberate wordushing." Its tendency being to bring the entire administration into disrepute.

To refute Senator Lodge's statement that no actual sugar shortage existed, Senator Jones said that agricultural

department reports show that on Aug. 31, 1917, sugar stores were 125,000 tons below normal.

In defending the administration's sugar price-fixing policy he said it was difficult to conceive that anything resulted other than a benefit to the great mass of American consumers and without injury to the producers.

Taking up the coal situation, he said:

"The activities of the fuel administration from the very beginning have been directed toward supplying the extraordinary war demand for coal on the part of the government itself and those branches of industry which the government has called into war service. With the entire coal output inadequate to supply the demands of the country, it has been necessary, of course, to make readjustments to supply the war demand."

"It is my belief that the question as to the causes of a shortage of coal and the high prices can be answered with one word, transportation. Had transportation been unlimited, I think there can be no doubt but what the ordinary machinery for distribution would have expanded and met all demands."

Defends Closing Order

Fuel Administrator Garfield's fuel order temporarily closing industries east of the Mississippi river during certain days also was defended by Senator Jones, who said:

"That the order was not wholly without justification may reasonably be inferred from the fact that after the effects of its operation in this country were known, a similar order was issued and made effective in Canada."

In closing Senator Jones denied that the administration had been entering upon activities for the purpose of providing positions for democrats.

PERMITS FOR EXPORT OF COAL TO CANADA

WASHINGTON, March 22.—Permits for the months of April, May and June have been issued by the fuel administration to a large number of coal operators for export of coal to Canada. C. A. McGrath, fuel controller for Canada, has been given the privilege of calling upon the fuel administration to issue permits to any shipper who may apply to him.

The administration announcement says the allotment of coal to Canada during the last season were upon the same basis as if Canada were one of the states of the Union. In return, Canada furnishes coal to this country. Much of the product that is used in the northwestern parts of the United States comes from the mines of British Columbia.

BEAUTIFUL DISPLAY OF SPRING GARMENTS IN THE CHALIFOUX STORE WINDOWS

Leon D. Towns, head window dresser for the J. L. Chalifoux Co., has achieved a real triumph in his latest efforts in the Merrimack street windows of the Chalifoux store. Not only has he triumphed as a skilled workman in his chosen profession, but he has gone beyond the more or less measured boundaries of window display work and has entered the realm of real art.

The company has devoted its entire Merrimack street window space to a showing of spring garments. Most Lowell people have an approximate idea of how much space this occupies but in the entire length of window Mr. Towns has placed less than a dozen models. The over-crowded, jumbled effect which many store windows affect and thereby depress the onlooker is wholly lacking in Mr. Towns' efforts.

The refreshing, happy element which the advent of spring always brings seems truthfully interpreted in the panoramic array which Mr. Towns has arranged. A background of gardens, fountains and allied surroundings extends from one end of the building to the other and a predominating tone of light colors, blue especially, gives a touch of winsomeness and quaintness symbolic of the spring season.

Overhead is a continued bower of flowers and plants and about a foot from the floor is a line of white window boxes, ornate with tulips and other attractive flowers of the spring season. The floor is designed in alternate squares of white and green.

CIVIL SERVICE EXAM POSTPONED—INDUSTRIAL ACCIDENT BOARD HEARINGS

Cly Messinger Owen A. Monahan was this morning notified by the chief examiner of the civil service commission to the effect that the examination for sewer superintendent which was scheduled to be held at city hall this morning had been postponed. It is probable that the examination will be held March 26.

Mr. Monahan was also requested to place the aldermanic chamber at the disposal of Mr. Boyle of the industrial accident board for March 29 on which date two hearings will be held under the workmen's compensation act.

The first hearing will be held at 10 a. m. and will be in the case of Salvatore Amico, employee and Alex Kogios, employer. The other will be conducted at 11:30 a. m. and will be in the case of John Donohue, employee; Lowell Ferrier Co., employer, and the Security Mutual Casualty Co., insurer.

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what the soldiers will have to undergo, etc. should not fail to be present. Lieutenant Twitchell is an able speaker and people who are laboring under misapprehension as to what is expected of the soldiers, etc., will learn something to their advantage.

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16 KILLED IN WARSHIP CRASH

WASHINGTON, March 22.—Twelve additional deaths as a result of the collision between the destroyer Manley and a British man of war March 19, were announced today by the navy department.

This brought the death list to 16. John C. Holmes, carpenter's mate of 74 Dalton street, Boston, Mass., was one of the 12 men reported killed today. The names of the eleven others have not been received.

It was announced also that ten men reported yesterday also were injured. All of those hurt were reported doing well.

In addition to those previously reported, the following injured have been landed and sent to the hospital: Earle P. Nelson, electrician, Waterloo, Ia.

William J. Luckock, gunner's mate, 60 Warner street, Newport, R. I.

Isaac Diggs, mess attendant, Norfolk, Va.

Charles Dwight, seaman, Chicago.

William A. Johnston, ship's cook, North Portland, Ore.

John Leo Cardin, fireman, Wilkinsville, Mass.

Edward F. Russell, seaman, Natick, Mass.

Frederic Hargan, coxswain, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Kirk W. Morse, chief gunner's mate, Snohomish, Wash.

Charles William Cagle, fireman, Monroe, Okla.

AN IRISH PORT, March 22.—The bodies of three men from the United States destroyer Manley have been brought here to be embalmed for removal to America.

Announcement was made in Washington yesterday that an officer and three men on the Manley had been killed and 11 others injured by the explosion of a depth charge on the destroyer, caused by a collision in the war zone on March 19, with a British ship.

Fire broke out in the after-part of the Manley and the depth charge kept there was immediately thrown overboard, in the hope that the vessel would steam clear. The explosion, however, blew off the after part of the vessel. Several survivors were landed and now are in a hospital.

THEIR SERVICE EXAM POSTPONED—INDUSTRIAL ACCIDENT BOARD HEARINGS

Cly Messinger Owen A. Monahan was this morning notified by the chief examiner of the civil service commission to the effect that the examination for sewer superintendent which was scheduled to be held at city hall this morning had been postponed. It is probable that the examination will be held March 26.

Mr. Monahan was also requested to place the aldermanic chamber at the disposal of Mr. Boyle of the industrial accident board for March 29 on which date two hearings will be held under the workmen's compensation act.

The first hearing will be held at 10 a. m. and will be in the case of Salvatore Amico, employee and Alex Kogios, employer. The other will be conducted at 11:30 a. m. and will be in the case of John Donohue, employee; Lowell Ferrier Co., employer, and the Security Mutual Casualty Co., insurer.

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SPRING EXHIBIT

for THE HOME

THE increasing love of Americans for the Home is exemplified in the house-cleaning process that generally takes place at this season. Hence, this love is reflected in the bright and altogether charming furnishings of the modern home.

To help people in this noble work is the purpose of this Spring Exhibit for the Home. Our stocks are wonderfully profuse in suggestions on the most modern furnishings and treatments for this room and that. They are carefully chosen from the best and newest the market affords. Just a glimpse of the new things in Furniture, Rugs and Draperies and other Home Furnishings will convince you of the completeness of this display—in which

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American Walnut Suite—bed, dresser and toilet table	\$ 85.00
Mahogany Suite, Queen Anne design—bed, dresser and toilet table	92.00
Special Walnut Suite—bed, dresser, toilet table and chiffonier	93.50
Bird's Eye Maple Suite—bed, dresser and toilet table	84.00
Burl Walnut Suite—bed, dresser, toilet table, chiffonier, 2 chairs and rocker	231.00
Odd Dressers, \$10.00	
Brass Beds, \$19.50 up	

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3-piece Tapestry Suite—7-foot sofa, large easy chairs and rocker, soft spring construction	\$204.00
3-piece Leather Suite—loose spring cushions	125.00
3-piece Tapestry Suite—mahogany finished frame	65.00
3-piece Davenport Bed Suite—velour covering	84.50
3-piece Genuine Leather Suite	60.00
5-piece Parlor Suite—silk paune plush covering	70.00

DINING ROOM FURNITURE

American Walnut Suite (8 pieces)—chairs, buffet and table	\$115.00
Fumed Oak Suite (9 pieces)—chairs, buffet, china closet and table; William and Mary designs	130.00
Mahogany Suite (8 pieces)—chairs, table and buffet	70.00
Mahogany Suite (8 pieces)—buffet, table, chairs	200.00
Quartered Oak Buffets	22.00
Round Dining Tables	10.00 up
Leather Slip Seat Chairs	3.50

SEASONABLE FURNITURE

Seamless Axminster Art Squares, 9x12 size	\$26.50 and \$32.00
Velvet Art Squares, 9x12 size	\$21.00
Linoleum	.75c and .85c Sq. Yd.
Inlaid Linoleum	\$1.00 Sq. Yd. and up
Couoleum	.50c a Sq. Yd.
Refrigerators, white enamel lined, 70 lb. ice capacity	\$11.75
New Baby Carriages	\$13.00 to \$45.00
Push Carts	\$10.00 to \$23.50
Sulkies	\$4.00 up

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PRESCOTT STREET

FUNERAL NOTICES

CAVALIER.—The funeral of Joseph Cavalier will take place Monday morning from his late home, 81 West Third street, time to be announced later. Undertakers, C. H. Molloy's Sons, Boston. Friends invited.

HART.—The funeral of John Joseph Hart will take place Saturday afternoon from the chapel of James P. O'Donnell & Sons. Services at 2:30 o'clock. Friends invited.

EDSON.—Entombment in the Edson cemetery, in charge of Undertakers James P. O'Donnell & Sons.

PAGE.—Die Marthia F. Page, aged 81 years, Mrs. L. W. Hall, 136 Hill street, died yesterday at the home of her cousin, Mrs. L. W. Hall, 136 Hill street. The deceased was a lifelong resident of Billerica and had been a teacher at the Pollard school in that town for more than 20 years. She had lived with her cousin throughout this winter.

SORENSEN.—Carl William Sorenson, infant son of Carl and Elizabeth (Collins) Sorenson, died yesterday afternoon at the home of his parents in Kennebunk, Maine, aged 2 months and 11 days.

ALDRICH.—The funeral of William K. Aldrich was held at the Congregational church, Billerica Centre, Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Friends invited without further notice. Automobiles engaged. The funeral arrangements are in charge of Undertakers George W. Healey & Sons.

POPE.—The funeral of Mrs. Sabina M. Ryane Pope will take place Saturday morning at 8 o'clock from the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Ryane, 88 Linden street, Somerville. Rite of requiem will be sung at the St. Patrick's church at 9:30 o'clock. Burial will take place at St. Patrick's cemetery, Undertakers M. H. McDonough Sons.

COLLINS.—Mrs. Jacob Collins, nee Clarence Gilbert, aged 74 years, 10 months and 9 days, died yesterday at the home of her son, Octave, 86 Morton Avenue, Pawtucket, R. I. She leaves five sons, Richard, Octave and William of Pawtucket, and Louis and Henry of this city, and a daughter, Mrs. Felix Marchard, in Canada. The body was removed to the home of a son, Louis, 20 Exeter street, by Undertakers Amedeo Archambault & Sons.

ANNIVERSARY MASS

There will be an anniversary mass at the Immaculate Conception church Saturday morning at 8 o'clock for the repose of the souls of Mathew and Mary Ann Mooney who died March 23, 1914, and Feb. 12, 1918.

MASS NOTICE

There will be a mass Saturday morning at 8

FATS AND THEIR VALUE IN THE DIET LINE

Fat, a term which includes the edible oils as well as fat is available in many forms with a large range of prices. Olive oil, cotton seed oil, lard, ericso, etc., which we use as a shortening and as a medium in which to cook other foods, are pure fats but many other fats contain water, mineral matter and a varying amount of protein. Even butter is only eighty-four per cent fat, the rest being water, protein (curd from milk) and mineral matter.

The importance of fat in the diet cannot be overestimated. It does not build up muscular tissues but yields heat and energy. It is almost a pure fuel furnishing the body with two and one-fourth times as much energy as an equal amount of carbohydrate and in fact yielding weight for weight more energy than any other food.

Fat is not only of value as an energy yielding food but has special dietary value as a flavor food making other foods more appetizing and palatable. It also exerts good influence on digestive processes by stimulating the flow of the bile and the pancreatic juices. This helps in the digestion of the other foods and in the elimination of waste products.

Although the carbohydrates also furnish heat and energy to the body they cannot entirely replace the fat, and a diet deficient in fat is inadequate, weakens the resistance of the body and endangers the health of the individual. Sufficient fat is especially necessary in the diet of children and young people, and is most useful as a source of energy when carbohydrate foods must be limited as in cases of diabetes.

Many housekeepers are extravagant and very wasteful in their use of fat. They throw away drippings and fat scraps, without the thought that these drops saved daily will soon form a pound. They pride themselves on using butter in cooking instead of being proud to use a substitute. Do you waste fat in any of the following ways?

1. By failing to get from the butcher all the trimmings for which you have paid. The butcher does not waste these, they are saved and sold again for soap. Much good fat from beef and chicken is wasted in this way.

2. By failing to cook fat which is to be served with meat until it is crisp and appetizing that it will not be wasted on the plate.

3. By failing to trim excess fat from the meat before it is cooked, and trying it out separately. Do not serve more fat with the meat than will be eaten.

4. By failing to keep the fat from burning during cooking. It burned it will be unappetizing and indigestible.

5. By failing to cook bacon in the oven instead of in a pan over the flame. If cooked in the oven the fat is more thoroughly tried out. This fat has

less care and there is less odor and smoke in the kitchen.

6. By failing to serve only as much butter at a meal as will be eaten.

7. By failing to use some butter substitute in place of butter in cooking.

8. By failing to use top milk, condensed milk or evaporated milk in place of cream whenever possible especially in coffee and tea.

9. By failing to buy olive oil or its substitutes in large quantities; a small bottle is expensive.

10. By failing to make soap from the fats that cannot be utilized any longer for cooking purposes or as a food.

Some people hesitate to use oleomargarine and butter substitutes because they do not realize that they are healthful and nutritious and are much better than a poor grade of butter.

Oleomargarine

Oleomargarine or butterine is made by churning together with milk a combination of vegetable and animal fats similar in properties to natural butter. The fats most often used are soft beef fats, neutral lard, cottonseed oil, cocoanut fat and peanut oil. (neutral lard is lard that has been purified and freed from animal flavors). These fats are mixed with varying amounts of butter according to the grade of oleomargarine to give the butter flavor. In high grade oleomargarine a large amount of butter is mixed with the artificial product so that it has a very agreeable taste and flavor similar to that of butter, but the lack of the fine flavor of butter in the cheaper grade of oleomargarine is not noticeable when it is used for cooking purposes. Oleomargarine has the same caloric value, at a lower cost than butter and should be more largely used.

Renovated or Process Butter

Poor or rancid butter is melted in large tanks, the salts and impurities which settle to the bottom are drawn off, objectionable odors and flavors removed, and it is then mixed with whole milk and churned again. This too, is better than an inferior grade of butter, and wholesome.

Cooking Butter

This is butter that is not as fresh as table butter and can be bought at lower price. If at all rancid, it should be renovated before using by washing it thoroughly in several cold waters. If this is not sufficient add to each pound of butter from one-fourth to one teaspoon of baking soda and melt slowly until a froth rises and the sputtering ceases. Skim and pour carefully from dregs. If not to be used at once add to each pound one and one-half teaspoon salt. Use one-third less of this butter than ordinary butter in cooking.

Beef Suet Substitute

Cut beef suet in small pieces and cover with water; let it soak for a day changing the water once. Drain and put in a kettle with one-half cup of skim milk for every pound of suet. Let it cook very slowly until boiling has entirely ceased. When partially cooled pour off carefully. This fat has

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no objectional flavor, and can be well substituted for butter in cooking. To make a softer fat add one pound of lard to five pounds of suet.

Beef Suet-Pork-Butter

Cover two pounds beef suet cut in small pieces with water and cook in double boiler until all the fat is extracted. Strain. Take two pounds pork fat in same way. Melt equal amounts of butter until it is like oil. Remove pork fat and beef fat from water, add to strained butter and melt slowly together. After the fats are well blended boil up together and skim. Pour into tin or earthen jars and keep in cool dry place. This fat will have flavor of butter and is cheaper and has the same food value.

MATRIMONIAL

Frederick Guy Baldwin and Miss Alice Sylvia Morris, both of Billerica, were married Wednesday evening at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Morris, the officiating clergyman being Rev. Truman O. Harlow, pastor of the First Baptist church of Billerica. William Baldwin, a brother of the groom, acted as best man, while the bridesmaid was Miss Stella Morris, a sister of the bride. After an extended wedding trip the couple will make their home in Boston.

JUVENILE SESSION

The three boys who broke into the office of the Preston Coal & Coke Co. in Whidden street on the night of March 13th and stole a small sum of money and then turned the office effects topsy turvy, were before Judge Enright in the juvenile session of the police court this morning. One of the boys was placed on probation, the other was turned over to the state board of charities and the third will be sent to the Home of the Angel Guardians.

YOUTHFUL BURGLARS

Three boys, whose ages range from eight to eleven years, broke into the news agency of Max L. Katz at 20 Jackson street the night before last and stole a clock, cigarette case, jack knife and 160 tobacco tags. They gained an entrance by forcing the catch on one of the windows. The trio were rounded up by Lieut. Maher yesterday afternoon and will be brought before the court next Friday morning.

BOMBS ON DANISH SHIP

MOBILE, Ala., March 22.—Five bombs with fuses attached were taken from the Danish schooner Eidske Smit here yesterday, before the ship sailed for the West Indies. They were found by customs officials.

VASSAR GIRLS DO FARM WORK

POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y., March 22.—Announcement was made at Vassar college yesterday that 100 girl students had signed up for spring work about the campus and gardens, and 150 to work the farm during the entire summer season, foregoing their vacations. The girls will be paid the prevailing rate of farm wages. The college farm comprises 1000 acres.

NANNY-NAPPERS



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For Constipation! Physician, Purge or Laxative?

Everyone now and then becomes constipated, and millions are chronically in that condition. The perplexing question arises—what to use.

Purgatives and cathartics are drastic and usually cause a reaction. Saline waters are rapid in action but do no more than empty the bowels.

Just as certain an effect, and certainly a much more pleasant one, can be obtained by the use of a combination of simple laxative herbs with peptin sold by druggists under the name of Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Peptin. It acts gently, without griping. It is an especially ideal medicine for children, women, old people and others who find purges too powerful.

Only a teaspoonful is required, and by morning the movement is free and complete. A bottle in the house is insurance for the whole family against constipation, indigestion, headaches, flatulence and other digestive ills.

The druggist will refund your money if it fails to do as promised.

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In spite of enormous increased laboratory costs due to the war the manufacturers of Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Peptin are sacrificing all the profits on the sale of the product to the war tax, so that the family price remains at the pre-war price of 50c and \$1 a large bottle. So sold by druggists for 20 years

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Young Men's Spring Top Coats in solid colors of blue, gray, brown and green. Form-fitted military effects, silk lined sleeves, yoke, and all seams piped. Specially priced at \$22.50

Other Spring Top Coats..... \$10.00—\$30.00

Men's and Young Men's Suits \$15.00

In all wool cheviots and cassimeres. Colors are gray, brown and green. Pockets plain, patch, slant or up and down slash pockets. Sizes 32 to 44 breast. There are a few worsted suits in this lot but not all wool. Just enough cotton in them to give them strength and wear.

200 Suits

AT

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Men's Negligee Shirts, in fine percale and fancy woven madras. Made coat styles, soft French double cuffs, all new spring patterns \$1.15

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For the intelligent man, clothes have a deeper meaning than mere covering or display. He puts into their selection all the judgment that has made him a success. He knows that well-chosen clothes can express his personality very definitely.

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\$4.98



"Elite" is one of the best shoes made. You know about what they cost—regularly. Sorry, but only a few hundred men can have them at \$4.98. Come—lucky ones. Step up briskly. Don't delay.

Men's Gun Metal Blucher Style Shoes—Goodyear welted..... \$2.98

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Boys' Scout Shoes, tan elk uppers, made by Endicott-Johnson..... \$1.98

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This is the hat in seven new styles and 10 new shades that stores everywhere, catering to smart young men, are adopting. Made by hatlers who originate, create and specialize in Young Men's Hats.

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PACIFIST PREACHER GETS 15 YEAR SENTENCE

BURLINGTON, Vt., March 22.—Rev. Clarence H. Waldron, pacifist preacher, who was convicted in the federal court here Tuesday night of disloyal utterances and of attempting to obstruct the operation of the draft, yesterday was given a 15-year sentence in the federal penitentiary at Atlanta. A motion by counsel for a stay or execution was denied by Federal Judge Howe, who, however, in imposing sentence, announced that the motion might be presented later.

Waldron stood up and heard the pronouncement of sentence without visible emotion. A group of Pentecostals with whom sect Waldron had been associated since his retirement from the Baptist church at Windsor because of the congregation's opposition to his sermons and speeches, occupied front seats in the court room when the defendant was brought in for sentence. While waiting for the jury to report Tuesday night these friends of the accused spent their time in prayer.

Two months ago a jury at Brattleboro failed to agree after 24 hours. At both trials Waldron made vehement denials of the charges, although a score of witnesses produced by the government testified that he "had refused the use of the Baptist church at Windsor for patriotic meetings, that he had spoken against the Liberty loan, and had advised young men to resist the draft even to the point of facing a sunrise firing squad."

PRES. WILSON TO GET FRENCH PAINTING

NEW YORK, March 22.—"On Guard for Liberty," one of the collection of new war paintings brought over from France for exhibition in this city is to be presented to President Wilson as a gift from the French government. The picture was done by J. Berne Ballecourt, the French painter, and shows in the foreground a soldier standing guard over the prostrate Prussian Umbria Trust company, is treasurer, while the American army ad-



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Vanishes from the background, in which the outlines of the Statue of Liberty are discernible. The presentation will be made by William Sandor, head of the French mission, which brought the art collection over.

The collection, which includes a number of autographed sentiments from some of the most prominent men in France as well as the war paintings, will be placed on exhibition soon in the former residence of Col. and Mrs. Cornelius Vanderbilt at 677 Fifth avenue, the purpose of the exhibit being to raise funds for the 400,000 French soldiers who have succumbed to disease, or the "Heroes Without a Halo," as M. Brioux has named them. This latest of French war charities to be launched in this country is being carried on by the committee for the protection of French soldiers retired for disability, No. 2, of which Willard V. King, president of the Co-located in all sections, with the aid of the railroads.

The association had its banquet at the Astor last night. E. J. Cattell of Philadelphia, Capt. A. P. Simonds, U.S.A., of the Liberty loan committee and Thomas D. Curtis, who spent some time on the west front, were the principal speakers.

A committee of prominent Americans, headed by Mrs. Robert Bacon and Mrs. Newbold Le Roy Edgar, Cardinal Gibbons and Cardinal Farley are among the distinguished honorary patrons and the advisory committee comprises Frederic Coudert, Otto H. Kahn, Gaston Liebert, the French Consul-General here, Edmund L. Rayns, Clarence H. MacMurray, Prof. Henry Fairfield Osborn and Lloyd Warren. Ambassador Jusserand is expected here from Washington to dedicate the exhibition which it is hoped, will be opened early next week.

SAVING ON JUNK IS A BILLION A YEAR

NEW YORK, March 22.—Uncle Sam is taking a leaf from the book of experience of Germany and is saving all of the junk that used to be wasted. Speakers at the annual meeting of the National Waste Material Dealers at the Hotel Astor said that the reclamation was worth \$1,000,000,000 a year.

One firm, handling old metals alone, it was stated, did business of \$45,000 a year. These big figures, to those who used to hum "Got any rags, any bottles, any bones today?" were surprising enough, but the fact that the government is going into the junk business on a big scale came along as a new thing in convention tidings.

Louis Berkinstein, the retiring president of the organization, is going to Washington to work with the bureau of reclamation.

The average man would be surprised," he said, "to know that under the system now there is absolutely nothing goes to waste in the United States. Even old shoes are put to many uses. They may be ground up for fertilizer, or burned and their ashes treated for chemicals."

The association elected E. Salomon of 140 Nassau street president for the ensuing year. He said that he would do all he could to speed up the reclamation work, even in the country and on the farms. He wanted to cooperate with the quartermaster corps of the army in searching for everything that possibly might go to waste, and suggested that iron might be collected in all sections, with the aid of the railroads.

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MUSICAL TREAT AT THE STATE NORMAL SCHOOL

The music department of the State Normal school sponsored another musical affair for the Lowell public yesterday afternoon when three gifted artists appeared at the assembly hall of the school and gave an hour and a half of real pleasure to a large audience.

Carl Webster, cellist; Carl Larson, pianist, and Mme. Cara Sapin, contralto, gave the recital. Mme. Sapin was possessed of youth, and she allowed this quality to mingle generously in her various infections. Her trial of winsome numbers, the second of the program, was particularly dainty and

showed her versatility she sang Verdi's aria with real dramatic force.

Mr. Webster on the cello proved equally pleasing in his work and Mr. Larson at the piano, both in individual numbers and when accompanying, was conspicuously capable.

The program in detail, excluding extras given by Mme. Sapin and Mr. Webster, was as follows:

Concerto in A minor.....Saint-Saens
Mr. Webster
Aria for Contralto
O Don Fidale (Don Carlos)....Verdi
Group for Cello
and Variations.....Haydn
Moldau.....Massenet
Spanish Dance.....Popper
Group for piano
Gavotte.....Gluck
Cantique d'Amour.....Liszt
Group for contralto
Cherry Ripe.....Horn
Cuckoo Clock.....Grant-Schaffer
Carnival.....Fouldrall
Group for cello
Dante's Walk.....Hoffman
Spinning Song.....Popper
Songs With Cello Obligation
By the Waters of Mlanetonka
Leisure
Tea-Yen.....Rabey

DEPARTMENT OF UNIVERSITY EXTENSION MASS. BOARD OF EDUCATION

The state, through the department of university extension, has now for two years conducted correspondence courses. That correspondence courses are no longer an experiment has been proved by the fact that many of the leading universities offer courses by correspondence which have been successful and for which credit is given the same as for work at the university. This state offers similar educational opportunities to its citizens at only the cost of the working materials actually used for the student.

Work by correspondence offers many interesting points. It is perhaps the best test that a man can make of his ability, as well as the best way in which a school can test its efficiency. Successful instruction by correspondence requires a certain type of teacher who must be as interested as his pupil, for all the work is directly between pupil and teacher without the advantage of class discussion.

In spite of the difficult of study alone after a hard day's work, the students of this department are enthusiastic, and the delinquent list is comparatively small. The man who has sufficient intensity of purpose to follow a course steadily to completion without failing is likely to win anywhere. This fact probably accounts for the rapid promotion of correspondence students in industry and business.

Often one man taking a course will interest another, and soon his neighbors or business associates are studying with him. For instance, a member of an Italian organization took English and succeeded in interesting the other club members. Soon there were ten papers coming in at a time instead of one. Three students taking Spanish, who are employed by a company dealing with South American trade, write to the instructor that they spend each noon hour speaking nothing but Spanish.

The courses have changed somewhat in popularity during the last year. Where previously general courses were extremely popular, now we find that those which bear directly upon the war situation are also in demand. The industrial courses have a larger enrollment.

CONSERVATION OF HEALTH AN IMPORTANT DUTY NOW

CARE IN THE DIET SAVES BOTH FOOD AND HEALTH

Preventive Medication Such as the Use of a Tonic to Keep the Blood Built Up and Prevent the Nerves from Being Undernourished Is Suggested by These Letters

Nature is always fighting to keep us well. Under normal conditions the forces of health within our bodies keep the disease germs in subjection. They are not expelled entirely but they are kept harmless.

Some indiscretion in diet and the digestion is upset; overwork or worry perhaps disturbs the nervous system, the blood gets thin and the ever-present disease germs assert themselves. The blood fights the body's battles. Whenever a wound is received, whenever there is congestion or inflammation, to that point the blood quickly carries the element needed for repair—it has them. But when the blood is thin and watery it lacks these elements itself.

In times like these when so many physicians are in the national service it is more than ever the duty of everyone to keep up the defensive powers of the body to resist the invasions of disease. Most people eat too much. This means a waste of food and an overload on the digestive organs. Conserve food and your health at the same time by more careful attention to your diet.

Excessive Meat Eating
Notwithstanding our meatless days most people who are troubled with flatulence eat more meat than is good for them. Flatulence is wind on the stomach. Excessive meat eating or defective nerve force is responsible in most cases.

Cutting down the amount of meat in your diet and taking a course of treatment with Dr. Williams' Pink Pills to strengthen the weak nerves that control the digestive processes is well worth trying if you have wind on the stomach, sour risings in the throat, a feeling of weakness in the stomach and palpitation of the heart.

Forcing Children to Eat

Nothing is ever gained by forcing a child to eat when it refuses food. Make sure that nothing is being eaten between meals to destroy the natural appetite and if your growing child does not have a healthful craving for good, honest food at mealtimes there is something the matter. Threats of punishment if the child does not eat will not correct the difficulty.

A fitful appetite in a growing child, especially if the patient is pale, languid, nervous, irritable, and without ambition, usually means that the blood is thin. A non-alcoholic tonic such as

to show her versatility she sang Verdi's aria with real dramatic force.

Mr. Webster on the cello proved equally pleasing in his work and Mr. Larson at the piano, both in individual numbers and when accompanying, was conspicuously capable.

The program in detail, excluding extras given by Mme. Sapin and Mr. Webster, was as follows:

Concerto in A minor.....Saint-Saens
Mr. Webster
Aria for Contralto
O Don Fidale (Don Carlos)....Verdi
Group for Cello
and Variations.....Haydn
Moldau.....Massenet
Spanish Dance.....Popper
Group for piano
Gavotte.....Gluck
Cantique d'Amour.....Liszt
Group for contralto
Cherry Ripe.....Horn
Cuckoo Clock.....Grant-Schaffer
Carnival.....Fouldrall
Group for cello
Dante's Walk.....Hoffman
Spinning Song.....Popper
Songs With Cello Obligation
By the Waters of Mlanetonka
Leisure
Tea-Yen.....Rabey

DEPARTMENT OF UNIVERSITY EXTENSION MASS. BOARD OF EDUCATION

The state, through the department of university extension, has now for two years conducted correspondence courses. That correspondence courses are no longer an experiment has been proved by the fact that many of the leading universities offer courses by correspondence which have been successful and for which credit is given the same as for work at the university. This state offers similar educational opportunities to its citizens at only the cost of the working materials actually used for the student.

Work by correspondence offers many interesting points. It is perhaps the best test that a man can make of his ability, as well as the best way in which a school can test its efficiency. Successful instruction by correspondence requires a certain type of teacher who must be as interested as his pupil, for all the work is directly between pupil and teacher without the advantage of class discussion.

In spite of the difficult of study alone after a hard day's work, the students of this department are enthusiastic, and the delinquent list is comparatively small. The man who has sufficient intensity of purpose to follow a course steadily to completion without failing is likely to win anywhere. This fact probably accounts for the rapid promotion of correspondence students in industry and business.

Often one man taking a course will interest another, and soon his neighbors or business associates are studying with him. For instance, a member of an Italian organization took English and succeeded in interesting the other club members. Soon there were ten papers coming in at a time instead of one. Three students taking Spanish, who are employed by a company dealing with South American trade, write to the instructor that they spend each noon hour speaking nothing but Spanish.

The courses have changed somewhat in popularity during the last year. Where previously general courses were extremely popular, now we find that those which bear directly upon the war situation are also in demand. The industrial courses have a larger enrollment.

D. Williams' Pink Pills is demanded. During her 'teens a girl lays the foundation for her future health. Lack of blood at this time may rob her of robust, healthy womanhood. It is of the greatest importance to administer to girls who grow pale and weak a safe tonic and Dr. Williams' Pink Pills meet every requirement of the most careful mother. They make the blood rich and red and it carries renewed health and strength to every part of the body.

What Debility Is
Debility is a loss of vitality, not affecting any one part of the body particularly but the system generally. It is dangerous because it reduces the body's resistance to disease.

Mrs. Julia McCarthy, of 125 South Franklin avenue, Mansfield, Ohio, says: "I suffered from nervous debility, was very thin, was reduced in weight, my complexion was yellow and there were dark rings under my eyes. My stomach pained all of the time and I had to be careful what I ate. I had severe headaches and dizzy spells. I was extremely nervous, easily excited, and suffered from melancholy. I seemed to be sick all over.

"Other treatment did not benefit me and one day I read in a booklet about Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. They seemed suited for my case and I gave them a trial. I at once noticed an improvement in my condition and I continued the treatment until I was entirely well. I still take the pills whenever I think I need a tonic and they never disappoint me."

When debility follows acute diseases, convalescence is slow and the strength does not return as it should. An attack of the grip often results in debility that persists for months. Everybody recognizes that the remedy for debility is to build up the blood because the blood goes to every part of the body and an improvement in its condition is quickly felt throughout the system. The problem in every case is to find something that will enrich the blood.

After An Attack of Grip
Mrs. Jennie Crukshank of No. 517 North Barclay street, Waterloo, Iowa, says: "The grip left me without any vitality whatever. I was weak, had no ambition and was generally run-down. I had no color at all and was wasted away to a mere shadow of my former

ment than before, as many men are fitting themselves to take the places of those who are going into the army, navy and Red Cross. The civil service enrollment is growing, largely owing to the fact that many clerks are needed by the government. Of course, the enrollment in French has grown enormously, while the household courses which deal directly with the food problem are crowded.

At present there are 3197 correspondence students in the Bureau of Correspondence Instruction of the Department of University Extension. The greatest enrollment is still in English, closely followed by shop mathematics, mechanical drawing, and household economics.

An interesting feature of the correspondence work is that the average age of the students is 26.7 years.

A decrease of 30 per cent in the cost of raw hides, announces a St. Louis shoe factory, would affect the manufacturing cost of a pair of shoes about 5 cents. But no doubt an increase of 20 per cent would make it necessary to raise the price of shoes about \$1.50 a pair.

The government gave them 20,000 sandbags and they expect shortly to be able to shelter 20,000 persons. In most cases, the excavations were made in vacant lots or back gardens, bolstered by wooden beams and railroad ties, which were then covered with earth and sod and finally roofed over with sandbags. Each shelter will accommodate at least five families. Other shel-

ters are in protected railway culverts and embankments. Each will be provided with lighting, seats and a small stove so that tea can be served comfortably to those waiting for the "All Clear" signal.

How to Nourish the Nerves
There is no tonic for the nerves that is not a tonic for every other part of the body. There is no form of debility that does not rob the nerves of nourishment. The way to give nourishment to the nerves is through the blood. This is the modern treatment for severe nervous disorders and its results are seen in the case of Mr. D. L. Lucas, of No. 2133 East 103rd street, Cleveland, Ohio, a man well known in real estate circles in that city. He says:

"I slowly declined in health and could use my limbs with difficulty. During the greater part of my sickness I could get about the house only by holding on articles of furniture but at times was confined to my bed. My lower limbs shrank perceptibly, I suffered some with shooting pains, my appetite was feeble and I was altogether in a terrible condition. I had taken Dr. Williams' Pink Pills once before and had been benefited and I thought that if I gave them a thorough, persistent trial they would do me good so I started taking the pills. After a few doses I saw that the medicine was helping me and I continued the treatment.

"The improvement in my condition continued until I was able to get about. I could walk any reasonable distance. I know that Dr. Williams' Pink Pills saved my life."

How to Build Up the Blood
The purpose of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills is to build up the blood. They do this one thing and they do it well. They are for this reason an invaluable remedy in diseases arising from bad or deficient blood, as rheumatism, neural-

gia, after-effects of the grip and fevers. The pills are guaranteed to be free from opium or any harmful drug and cannot injure the most delicate system.

"I am glad to recommend Dr. Dr. MacLay, of No. 75 Norman avenue, Buffalo, N. Y., as they have been of wonderful benefit to me. A few years ago I was completely run down through overwork and worry. My blood was thin and watery and I was very pale. I grew gradually worse for a year and was weak and short of breath, especially when I walked upstairs, which I could not do without resting every few steps. I could not even walk across the room without having my heart flutter.

"I was under the doctor's care throughout the entire winter. I was not benefited by this treatment and began using Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. I noticed right away that the pills were helping me, for my cheeks began to have some color and my strength returned. I recovered entirely after giving the pills a thorough trial. I will be glad if, through this statement of my experience, some other person is restored to health.

Get This Diet Book
Proper food and a good tonic will keep most people in good health. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People are the most popular tonic medicine in the world, harmless, non-alcoholic and certain in their action which is to build up the blood and restore vitality to the run-down system. For growing girls who become thin and sallow, for pale tired women, for old people who fail in strength Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are an ideal tonic. To enable those who give these pills a trial to observe intelligent care in the diet Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Schenectady, N. Y., will send on request a free diet book, "What to Eat and How to Eat."

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No Increase in Price
There has been no increase in the price of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. Your own druggist can supply you or the pills will be sent by mail, postpaid, on receipt of price, 50 cents per box, six boxes for \$2.50 by the Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Schenectady, N. Y.

TERS ARE IN PROTECTED RAILWAY CULVERTS AND EMBANKMENTS. EACH WILL BE PROVIDED WITH LIGHTING, SEATS AND A SMALL STOVE SO THAT TEA CAN BE SERVED COMFORTABLY TO THOSE WAITING FOR THE "ALL CLEAR" SIGNAL.

SAYS AMERICAN WORKMAN IS UNDER THE THUMB OF HIS WIFE

LONDON, March 22.—"Why is the workingman in America so well under control?" asked Sir Johnston Forbes Robertson, actor, at a meeting here to support the work of the Young Women's Christian Association. "Because

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THE TRUTH ABOUT THE WAR

Senator Lodge and a great many other republicans while speaking for political effect are shouting from the house tops the slogan, "Tell the people the truth about the war," just as if there was some great conspiracy in operation to withhold the truth from the people or to tell them lies instead. "We have enough telling what we are going to do. What we want to know is, what we have done. Tell the American people the truth." That is another fling at the administration by our senior senator.

When Secretary Baker told the truth to the military committee of the senate, that august body refused to believe him either as to what he had done or what he would do in the near future. Senator Lodge is a member of that committee and one of the doubting Thomases. The question of veracity is still in the air; but every day brings new evidence to prove that Baker was right and Lodge, Chamberlain, Hitchcock, Reed and Co., were wrong. "Do not keep from the American people what the enemy already knows," says Mr. Lodge.

That piece of advice is based upon an assumption that is doubly false. In the first place he does not know that anything is being kept from the people that can be safely given out; and secondly, he does not know to what extent the enemy knows just what we are doing in the war.

The military committee by its examination of the war officials in public forced them to lay bare to Germany just what our aims and our plans are, what we expect to accomplish and in what way.

That, according to Senator Lodge, is the way to win the war. To any thinking man it will be recognized as the kind of information that Germany pays lavishly to secure.

It is a well known fact that the American newspapers give more war news than do those of either France or England; but no matter how much they give, the politicians who want to pander to the public and turn sentiment against the government, keep on charging that the news is being held back. There is no foundation for any statement that the war office or the information bureau withholds any news of the war that would keep the people in doubt as to the actual situation or that would leave the public to indulge in mere guess work.

A certain rattle-brained clergyman from Attleboro the other night while making outrageous attacks upon the officials who are directing the war, said "the peasants of Germany know more of what is going on in the war than do the people of the United States."

Unless the speaker is an indurated ass he must know that the peasants of Germany since the beginning of the war have been fed upon a paludum of lies which wholly concealed the facts and led them to believe the most absurd fabrications, in order to keep up their morale in the war. It is more charitable to assume that the man who charges that a similar policy is in force here is an ignoramus than that he is a wilful prevaricator inspired chiefly with the desire of appearing radical and original while being but silly, vain and wildly erratic. Yet in thus spreading broadcast the seeds of opposition to the men who bear the responsibility in this war, they claim to be serving their country and the cause of freedom. So do the anarchists when they blow up munition factories and assassinate government officials.

THE SUFFRAGE FIGHT

The opponents of woman suffrage are fighting vigorously against the adoption of the Susan B. Anthony amendment to the constitution granting women the right to vote on equal terms with men. The fight now centres on the United States senate, the suffragists using all their efforts to have the senators concur with the house and the "antis" are just as actively working for the defeat of the amendment. The opposition dwells strongly upon the attitude of Cardinal Gibbons in reference to woman suffrage. The cardinal has the respect of all classes on account of his sterling Americanism, but on the question of woman suffrage he has been as firm as a rock in his opposition. He is quoted in the Woman's Protest as having made the following statement in a letter of recent date declining to attend a public meeting in opposition:

"I cannot, however, allow the opportunity to pass without repeating what I have said on occasions without number, that I am unalterably opposed to woman suffrage."

"Many social and political evils, I am convinced, would follow, not the least of which would be the lowering of the dignity of woman, queen in the social kingdom."

The cardinal, however, has never attempted to force his views upon his flock and there are other Catholic clergymen just as strongly in favor of suffrage. Yet the attitude of Cardinal Gibbons on any such public issue carries great weight with thousands of people all over this country.

THE SUBMARINE LOSSES

The first lord of the British admiralty has made a clean breast of the sinking of British ships by the submarines. The total for the past year reached 6,000,000 tons, while German authorities claim the total was 3,500,000 tons, but Germany does not know

the actual losses any more than the allies know how many submarines they sank. During the last quarter of 1917 the allies were within 100,000 tons per month of making good these losses. The output for that quarter was ten times as great as that for the last quarter of 1915 and almost double that of the final quarter of 1916. The building of ships had been neglected by England in the first two years of the war due to the pressure both upon government and people in the manufacture of munitions and the getting the army to the front. Now, according to Premier Lloyd George, the output of ships by the home and American yards will soon equal the losses by submarines. When that point shall have been reached, the tide will turn in the war, but not before. How long it will require after that to stop the Germans cannot now be even conjectured.

NEW MACHINE GUNS

John Browning has invented a machine gun capable of firing 25,000 shots a minute. This Browning is the Thomas A. Edison of the small arms production of the country. He has invented all the best rifles and revolvers manufactured by the Winchester and Remington companies and his new gun surpasses all others in rapidity and destructive power. It is difficult to conceive how such a gun could be utilized so as to direct effectively so many bullets with such amazing rapidity. That gun alone, if kept working very long would require the exclusive service of an ammunition factory to turn out the cartridges. The gun is being supplied to our troops in France with the prospect of its being put to good use.

HENRY FORD'S VIEW

"Idlers," says Henry Ford, "caused the war—idlers of so-called royalty, who made others obey them, and capitalistic idlers, who made fortunes and sought greater fortunes by forcing others to do their bidding. But, work will beat them all! The mechanism turned out by our strong, intelligent wage-earners will triumph over the idlers."

Mr. Ford is right. It is a battle between those who work intelligently and those who idle shamefully. It, moreover, is a truth set forth by one who knows. Mr. Ford is a capitalist and about as near royalty as anyone can get in our democracy. In addition, he is doing more, perhaps, than any other

between

Not what a man gives but the way he gives it, shows his true character.

The honor of seeing the first spring robin, so far as we can ascertain, goes to a Tyngsboro woman.

This happened in the Dutch room of a local hostelry. A stranger blew in and, after meeting "the company," introduced the fishing question suggested, perhaps, by the fact that he had ordered fish. He told some wonderful

fish stories and, to be honest about it, some of them sounded decidedly "fishy." Martin Conway was one of the party. Now, while Martin's friends knew that he had been round a bit, they did not know he had ever been on a fishing excursion in South America—until he recited the following tale: "In my entire piscatorial experience," he said, "I never came across a fish so accommodating as the shovel fish of South America. It has the shape of a shovel and it will jump on the bank and dig bait for you to catch it with." The stranger didn't tell any more fish stories.

Plended Not Guilty

An old negro went to the office of the commissioner of registration in a Missouri town and applied for registration papers.

"What is your name?" asked the official.

"George Washington," was the reply.

"Well, George, are you the man who cut down the cherry tree?"

"No, suh, I ain't de man. I aint done no work for nigh onto a year,"—Everybody's Magazine.

Ground For Exemption

The teacher was giving the school a little lecture on good conduct.

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"The Higher Education

Melvin had just returned from col-

lege. His education was evident in his every remark, and his mother appreciated it.

"Mother, shall I extinguish the light?" he asked his mother the first night.

"Why, now, what do you mean?" she asked.

"That means, shall I put the light out?" he said.

"Oh, surely, my son."

The next morning he asked: "Mother, may I read you a narrative?"

"Why, what does that mean?" asked the mother.

"Simply that I would like to read you a short tale," answered Melvin.

"Surely, read it," answered the mother.

That night at reception, a dog ran into the room and the good mother said: "Melvin, please catch the dog by the narrative and extinguish him." Rehoboth Sunday Herald.

O Rose Of Yesterday

The following poem was written by a young woman who was killed in a hospital in Paris, Miss Winona Caroline Martin, 28, of Rockville Centre, N. Y., and America may well take the words from her very heart and pen and say today: "O Rose of Yesterday."

I would have made your life eternal spring.

For bloom alone, careless of fruit or shear;

But you have lived the toll-dilled days that bring

The harvest store, the sun-dyed au-

lumn leaf.

I would have strewn your path with flowers rare, But, Love, it was the desert way you chose; Before you lay its heat and noon tide glare, But in your wake it blossomed as the rose.

I would have shed glad sunshine on your way, But you have trod the shrouded courts of night; Each forward step led further from the day, Behind you lies a gleaming trail of light.

Perchance, if I might have my way with you, God's noble plan of sainthood I should mark; I leave you, then, to one whose wis- dom knew: Nor joy, but pain, would make you what you are.

Henceforth I will not ask to have my way, O Rose of Yesterday—of Yesterday!

As one woman expressed it, "It's not the work you do, it's the way you feel that makes the drudgery, you cannot get ahead when you go to bed all in, too tired to sleep and get up in the morning half dead. Believe me, I know. I certainly was a nervous wreck, every task a load, no ambition, thin, haggard and pale, an old woman before my time. Look at me now, some change, eh? Work is a pleasure, I am just bubbling over with life and good spirits, the picture of health, cheeks rosy and full of color that only ironized blood can give while my phosphate-fed nerves are as steady as a clock, nothing worries me, I sleep like a top and feel like a girl of sixteen. Take it from me, I want Phosphated Iron to get credit for everything, too much cannot be said in its praise, it is the good, and everyone I have recommended it to is a booster."

This is only one of many like cases in our city. There is no need of any man or woman going around with that tired, all-in feeling of any form of nervousness, if they will get next to themselves, take a brace, and stick up to a package of Phosphated Iron, it sure will spruce you up and make you feel like a live wire once more, so get busy.

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AT IT AGAIN

Roosevelt says that our force in Europe is not as yet as important a military factor as is the army of Belgium, or Portugal, or Serbia.

The fact is, Mr. Roosevelt doesn't know the size of our force in Europe, by, perhaps, 100,000 men, doesn't know what the armies of Belgium, or Portugal, or Serbia are, or what they amount to as military factors. But he is writing, for so much per word, for a western newspaper, and he has to say something that sounds important. Mr. Roosevelt is to be pitied. His status as an authority on the war is pitiful; and, in his time, he has written many very interesting things. He is out of touch with the war situation.

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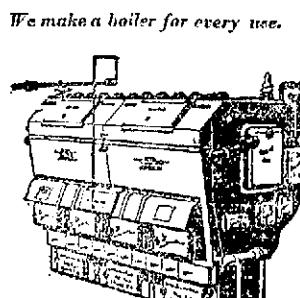
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When one steps into the elevator now preparatory to rising to heights of sublimity or even to merely the third floor he is greeted by a smiling young lady—not a flirtatiously smiling young lady—but one who seems really glad to have you step in her "car." She gazes at you steadily with eyes that—well, they're awfully pleasant eyes—and you gaze back if you're not too bashful and you wonder why she has picked you out as the fortunate recipient of her delightfulness, when suddenly you realize that she isn't looking and smiling at you merely for the fun of it. Nay, nay; her purpose is a most prosaic one. Her smile and gaze are meant to convey to you only one impression: "What floor do you want?"

Bang! She might forget about floors and things for a while, you think. With all the excitement of the occasion you have quite forgotten just what floor you do want and likely as not you probably blurt out: "O give us three or four, please!" But she doesn't come back overbearingly with "Freshie" as some young ladies are accustomed to do under similar circumstances. She merely assumes a more business-like-than-ever air and you finally remember that you want to go to the top floor. Of course; why shouldn't everybody go to the top floor? It would be disrespectful to leave such a delightful young lady before the journey had been completed. And when you finally reach the height desired and friend young lady announces "Top floor," then you wish, as you have never wished before, that you were in the Woolworth building or some similar lofty structure, and you wish that fast elevators had never been invented, so that you might be in the young lady's company just a little while longer.

Now will you go to Chalifoux's? Owing to war conditions, the male operators have been displaced and two charming young ladies have taken their places. Miss Lillian St. Onge assumed her duties about a month ago and she is now handling her car with the skill and nonchalance of a veteran. A few days ago a second young lady took up her duties—we mean took up and down—and her name is Miss Anonymous as far as we can find out. She was unwilling to divulge her first name but we got the last and the editor read the copy in a hurry, so we should worry.

"Wouldn't you like your pictures in the paper?" we asked the fair ones. "You, who have the honor of being the first women elevator operators in the city of Springfield? This is a historic occasion, young ladies, and you deserve to be known and honored by the public. Think of posterity when the little school children will read in their histories of the city's first lady elevator operators and then they look in vain for a portrait of the notables. Won't you please give us your pictures?" Thus we appealed and persuaded but blushing violets as they were—there's that "breath of spring" stuff again—they were unwilling to oblige us. Well, we did our bit to perpetuate their memo-ries—and faces.

The operators are not attired in uniforms, which fact adds much to their value, we think. They handle the cars with as much ease and much more carefulness than many male operators, they're pleasant to everybody and—well, it's an all-around advantageous innovation on the part of the Chalifoux management, and they are to be congratulated in bringing Lowell's first lady elevator operators to the front. Hurrah for the war!

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6 AMERICANS KILLED IN LAJOIE SOLD TO THE ACTION--11 MISSING

WASHINGTON, March 22.—Six enlisted men were killed in action and 11 missing are reported in yesterday's casualty list issued by the war department. Two men were killed by accident, nine died of disease, two were severely wounded in action and 13 slightly wounded.

Killed in action: Privates Stanley Dobiev, Ernest B. Fulkerson, Robert H. Hogg, William J. McKay, Lloyd L. Morrill, William B. Shepard.

Died of accident: Privates Willie J. Hayes, Burrell W. Wade. Died of disease: Corp. George Ektung, pneumonia; Privates Sidney J. Anderson, meningitis; Fay Briner, appendicitis; William M. Dubry, pneumonia; Paul J. Farnum, pneumonia; Erwin A. McArthur, meningitis; Daniel E. McCarty, embolism; Francis Sullivan, ague; Ludovic; Joseph Moran, pneumonia.

Missing in action: Sergt. John A. Sheehan, Privates Harry E. Elrney, Eugene F. Curtis, Albert M. Kennedy, Grover C. Leithueser, William F. Marvin, James Moran, Dennis F. O'Connor, William F. O'Connor, Joseph Reid, Carl Schultz.

Wounded, severely: Private Orla Archey, Private Albert R. Tibbets.

Wounded slightly: Corps. Carl C. David, Alexander Smolzer; Privates John Bowler, Stephen Derrig, James Dougherty, Robert W. Gregg, Vernon Johnson, Frederick P. King, Michael Mehalek, Roy Montgomery Ogle, Stephen J. Navin, Eugene J. Weinhard, Atleus H. Thomas.

TO ELIMINATE FIRE HAZARDS

Commissioner Warnock of the public property department announced this morning that he is now working on plans for the expenditure of the \$13,000 recently voted by the council for the elimination of the fire hazard at the Green, Franklin and Cabot street schools.

Fire escapes will be erected on the Green and Cabot street schools, while at the Franklin school fire partitions will be built. If there is any money left it will be spent in other school buildings.

The men of the public property department are now busy laying a granolithic floor at House 6 in Fletcher street, and it is expected that the job will be completed within a short time. The laying of the floor will cost about \$1,200 for it was necessary to strengthen the supports of the floor before laying the granolithic but when it will be finished it will be one of the handsomest floors of its kind in the city.

NEW YORK, March 22.—Napoleon Lajoie, veteran infielder, who managed the pennant-winning Toronto team in the International league last year, has been purchased from Toronto by the Brooklyn National league club, it was announced here today.

Charles H. Ebbets, president of the Brooklyn club, said he had talked over the telephone with Lajoie at Cleveland and the player said he had no objection to playing with the Brooklyn but that before signing a contract he would like to confer with the officials of the Toronto club.

NEW FIRE BOXES
Within a short time five new fire alarm boxes will be installed, four of them to be private boxes located in corporation yards. The number of the boxes and locations will be as follows:

124—Merrimack Mfg. Co. (private).
223—Hamilton mills (private).
224—Appleton mills (private).
225—Massachusetts cotton mills (private).

227—Fairmount street, near Lilley residence.

There are now 162 fire alarm boxes in the city, five new ones having been installed last year. The chief feels that there should be more in the Highlands district and that part of the city will be looked after later.

The members of the department have started their fire drills under the direction of Lieut. John Murphy, who has attended drilling schools at Boston and Springfield, and who expects to go back again this year. The drilling is being conducted at the quarters of Truck Co. No. 3 in Palmer street.

FOOD DEMONSTRATION BY FAMOUS SOUTHERN COOK AT COLONIAL HALL

Miss Portia Smiley, the famous southern cook who was at Colonial Hall this afternoon, demonstrated among other dishes the following recipes, copies of which were distributed among the women present:

Chicken Croquettes—1 cup corn meal mush, 1 cup chopped chicken, few drops onion juice, 1 egg, salt and pepper to taste, Milk and make into cakes. Fry in lightly greased pan or drop balls in deep fat.

Corn Waffles—1 1/2 cups boiling water, 1/2 cup white corn meal, 1 1/2 cups milk, 1 1/2 cups yellow corn meal, 1 1/2 cups wheat flour, 3 tablespoons sugar, 1 1/2 tablespoons baking powder, 1 1/2 tablespoons salt, yolks of 2 eggs, whites of

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The next step will be to overhaul the craft and mount guns. The vessels are now in charge of 360 navy officers and bluejackets and a detail of officers of the steamers co-operated in from the custom house.

THREE DUTCH SHIPS IN PANAMA ZONE SEIZED BY U. S. OFFICIALS

PANAMA, March 22.—The American authorities in the Panama canal have seized three Dutch merchant vessels in accordance with the order issued by President Wilson.

CLERKS BEGIN INVENTORY OF FORTY DUTCH SHIPS IN NEW YORK HARBOR

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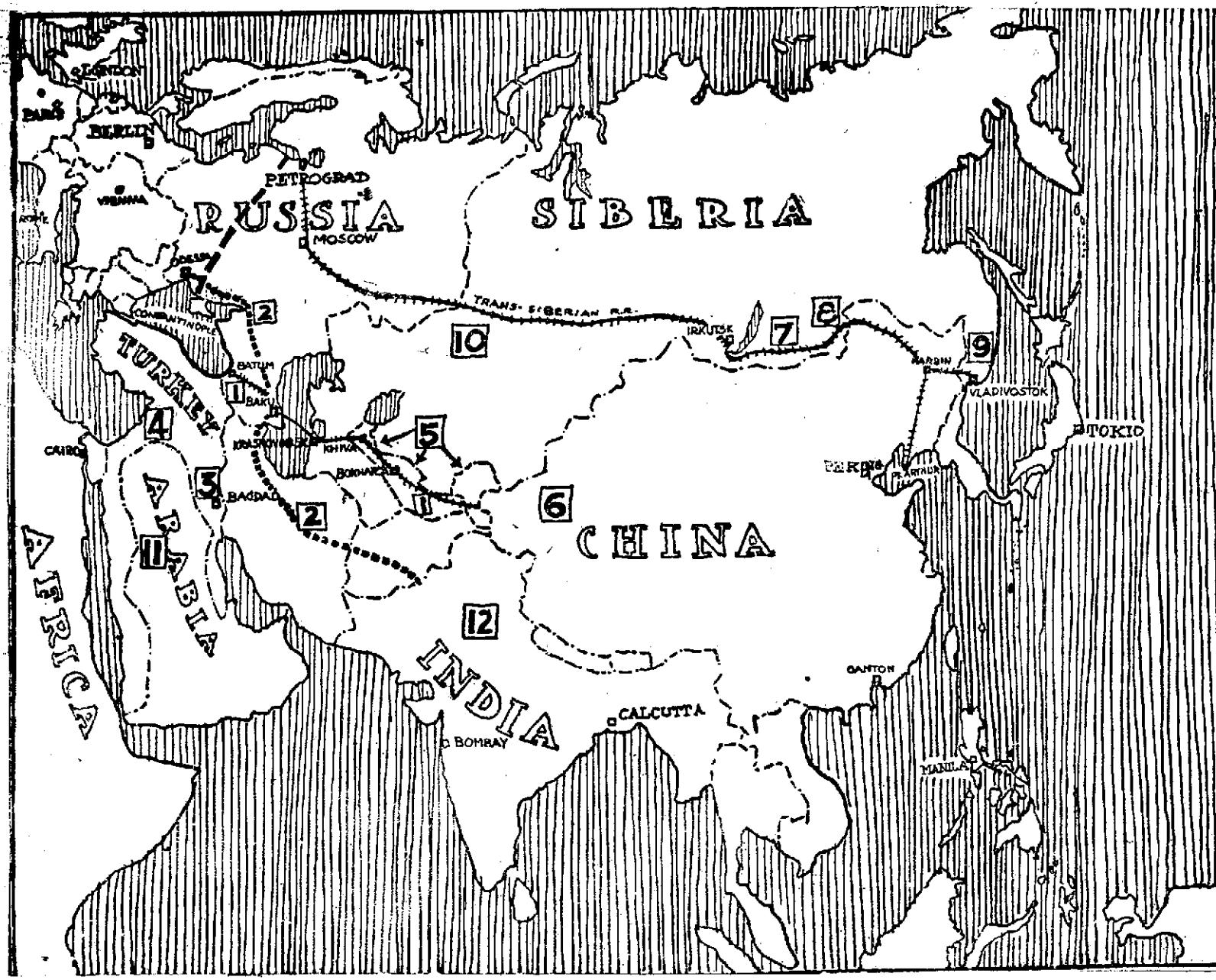
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CARRYING THE WAR INTO ASIA

This map shows graphically the latest war developments in the Asiatic continent, where the Germans are finding new sources of supplies and perhaps the fighting men. Through the collapse of Russia the kaiser has won a trade route (No. 1 on the map) from Odessa across the Black sea to Batum, thence by railroad to Baku, whence across the Caspian sea to Krasnodar, where there is a railroad running into central Asia practically to the Chinese boundary.

Another trade-route, an all-land route, (2) leads by railroad and caravan from Odessa north of the Black sea and south of the Caspian through Persia and Afghanistan to the frontier of India. Along this route the Germans are stirring up the Persians and Afghans to hostility against the English. Many of these Asiatic tribes are Mohammedans, like the Germans' allies, the Turks.

These two routes into Asia make unnecessary the kaiser's cherished

"Berlin-to-Bagdad" route, which is stopped by the British forces (3) that took Bagdad and are holding most of Mesopotamia. This route is also threatened by the British force (4) marching north through Palestine. The German plans are aided by the revolt from Russia (5) of the three provinces of Khiva, Bokhara and Kokand, which have set up governments called khanates, similar to those under which they operated before the Russian conquest.

German agents also are stirring up (6) the Tartar tribes of the Chinese province of Eastern Turkestan. The greatest part of the Trans-Siberian railroad appears to be in the hands of the Bolsheviks (7) and at one point they have driven Russian regiments which have announced their loyalty to the old provisional government into Chinese territory (8) in Manchuria.

The Japanese are holding allied stores of munitions at Vladivostok (9) to prevent their falling into the hands of the Bolsheviks. In western Siberia (10) an independent government is reported to have been set up announcing its recognition of Kerensky as premier.

In the meantime German propagandists are hard at work in Arabia (11) trying to bring about overthrow of the new Arabian kingdom and a return to Turkish rule, and in India (12), where they are aiding Indian

nationalist sentiment, to keep many British soldiers occupied in policing the native provinces.

Commodore Preble then despatched his smaller vessels to cruise off Mograd, Salice, Zarach and Teluan while he entered the Bay of Tangier. He sent the Philadelphia and Vixen to blockade Tripoli. On Oct. 6 Preble moved toward the city of Tangier with his larger ships, which were kept cleared for action night and day. The same day the emperor arrived with 5000 troops and encamped on the beach. Preble greeted the emperor by saluting him with 21 guns, and this honor apparently paved the way for an audience, for five days later the commander conferred with the emperor, as a result of which the attacks by the Tangier government ended and American ships were restored. In this way, by threatening war Preble enforced peace.

Commodore Preble then declared the blockade of Tripoli, and during a cruise captured a ship under Turkish colors, which he converted into the hutch Intrepid, which took a prominent part in later battles.

With six gunboats and two bomb-vessels borrowed from the king of Naples, Commodore Preble attacked the batteries and shipping in the harbor of Tripoli on Aug. 3. Fifteen minutes after the signal to attack was given the bomb-vessels were shelling the city. As the various divisions of the fleet singled out and attacked the division of the enemy's force assigned to them, Commodore Preble in the Constitution kept the enemy's fleet in disorder and assisted his various units, being a large part of the time under the direct fire of the shore batteries at close range.

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and a half hours, only one man was killed, and his death occurred through treachery. Three enemy boats were captured, and three sent to the bottom. Forty-seven of the crew of the captured boats were killed, and on shore a large number of persons were killed.

In 1799 Preble was appointed one of five lieutenants and after two cruises in the Pickering was promoted captain and given command of the frigate Essex, later resigning the command on account of ill health.

In 1803 he was appointed to command the Constitution, then lying in Boston, and instructed to get ready for sea. In June of that year he received orders to take command of the squadron then preparing for active service.

The fleet consisted of the Constitution, 44 guns, flagship; the Philadelphia, 44 guns, Captain William Bainbridge, already at the station; the Argus, 18 guns; the Syren, 16 guns; Lt. Stewart; the Nautilus, 16 guns; the Vixen, 16 guns; and the Enterprise, Lt. Stephen Decatur, 14 guns.

Situation Was Critical

At this time the situation was critical. The administration had adopted the same policy toward Tunis and Tripoli as had the European powers, giving them tributes to prevent attacks on shipping. Commodore Preble's fleet was sent to blockade their ports. When the squadron reached Gibraltar it was learned that the Philadelphia had captured the Mirboka, 22 guns, and found a paper sent to the Mirboka's captain by the Tangier government ordering him to cruise for Americans. Under these orders he had captured the American ship Celia, which Capt. Bainbridge restored to its owner.

Shortly after this attack Commodore Preble was relieved by Commodore Barron, and sailed for the United States. Congress voted him the thanks of the nation and an emblematic medal was presented to him by the president. The following year the campaign Commodore Preble had begun ended in peace with Tripoli and the navy returned home.

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RAILROAD CONTROL A GREAT UNDERTAKING

WASHINGTON, March 22.—President Wilson's signature to the bill for government operation of railroads until 21 months after the war completes the plan for the greatest undertaking in government control of privately owned public utilities the war has brought to America.

Early in August, 1916, the war cloud was growing ominous, so an act was passed empowering the president through the secretary of war to take control of and utilize all systems of transportation in a national emergency. President Wilson employed this authority on Dec. 28, 1917, taking possession of the lines and appointing Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo, director general of railroads.

Engaged in a war requiring every bit of national effort to insure success, the president believed it was imperative that the government direct all operations so that adequate means might be had to expedite troop movements, move war supplies, and care for the generally enormous strain on the transportation system.

The flow of khaki-clad men had to proceed to the ports of embarkation without interruption; shells, cartridges and rifles had to be moved from munitions centres; foodstuffs had to be transferred from the granaries of the west, and ample provision had to be made for the output of the mines. In addition to military needs, the country had experienced during the winter of 1917 the greatest breakdown and congestion of the transportation system ever known.

At the stroke of the president's pen the roads came under federal administration. Property rights were not purchased; the government merely exercised its authority to operate the lines and provision was made for safeguarding the proprietary interests of investors.

At the request of the president, congress then set about to enact a law to carry on the step taken as an emergency under the law of 1916.

In substantial accord with President Wilson's recommendation, the law provided that the compensation estimated at \$945,000,000 annually, shall be predicated on average net earnings for the three-year period ending June 30, 1917. The amounts will be ascertained by the interstate commerce commission and certified to the president, who will negotiate with the roads for their acceptance. Ordinary taxes, such as national or state, shall be paid out of operating revenues, but war taxes must be paid by the companies out of their own funds or charged against the standard return. In that way the roads will

bear their proportional share of the war burden. So that the properties may be returned to their owners in condition as good as when taken over, provision was made for their maintenance and for protection against unusual deterioration.

In the absence of a complete federal valuation of railroads, the exact ratio of return to be made by the government cannot be stated accurately, but it is estimated that the companies will obtain an amount representing nearly 5-1/2 per cent.

In event that the president finds that an equitable return cannot be computed for some roads on the three-year pre-war basis because of abnormal operating conditions during that period, he is authorized to fix an amount as he shall believe reasonable.

In case a road refused to accept the amount of compensation as estimated by the interstate commerce commission, a board of referees shall be appointed to ascertain a fair return, and if this method fail the roads have recourse to the federal court of claims. These provisions of the act safeguard the constitutional rights of investors to have their compensation determined by due process of law.

One section of the act provides the president may advance the rate of earnings for any road increasing its resources in order to handle better the wartime volume of traffic.

The companies are authorized to continue the regular payment of dividends, but extra dividends shall not be voted without the approval of the government.

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improvements as wartime conditions make imperative. If necessary, money from the emergency fund may be appropriated to meet these expenses, with provision that the government be reimbursed. The president is authorized also to purchase for the government, at prices not exceeding par, all maturing securities which were issued by the roads.

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GERMAN-MADE GOGGLES CAUSED MANY ACCIDENTS AT FLYING FIELDS

SAN DIEGO, Calif., March 22.—Major John C. P. Bartholf, commander of the Rockwell Field Aviation school at North Island, near here, posted an order yesterday that all goggles made by a certain eastern firm with a German name should be turned in to the officers or destroyed at once. The glasses have been in use at North Island, Kelly Field, Texas, and at other training schools for aviators.

The bulletin posted by Major Bartholf said that the goggles had been provided for any road increasing its resources in order to handle better the wartime volume of traffic.

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AIMS AT RECAPTURING HINDENBURG LINE

LONDON, March 22.—It is not yet possible to give more than a very general and vague idea of the fighting Thursday on the front between the Oise and the Seine, which continues with swaying fortunes, according to the accounts of correspondents at the British front in the morning newspapers.

The German attack, made on the British front west and southwest of Cambrai evidently aims at recapturing all the Hindenburg line, says a despatch to the Morning Post from British headquarters in France, which adds:

"The German army attacking south of the Scarpe seems to have delivered its first blow principally in the triangle of the Arras-Cambrai and Bapaume-Cambrai roads, while the German army south of Cambrai is striking against our trench systems in the region west of the Scheldt canal. No

doubt the enemy hopes that the attacking forces of these two armies may succeed in forming a junction and thus cutting off a considerable slice of the British front and taking back all the Hindenburg trenches lost exactly four months ago."

"Struggles for villages and ruined farm houses continued throughout Thursday, according to the correspondent of the Daily Mail.

"The enemy bombardment," he says, "began at five o'clock in the morning and at 7 o'clock some of the German units left their trenches and attacked the British with heavy and light machine guns. Between 9 and 10 the engagement became general on a front of some 25 miles."

"The right of the German attack was aimed at Croisilles, Bullecourt and Aincourt and there was hard fighting in a brick field near the first of these villages. Along the Bapaume-Cambrai road the enemy also attacked and then towards Gouzeaucourt, while his left wing was pushed in the direction of Ronsoy and Haricourt.

"The British front in the area of attack forms a rather sharp salient. If the enemy could pinch off this salient and run his line straight in a

northwesterly slant instead of having it run at an angle first north and then west, he would be able to hold it with fewer troops. Also in pinching it off he would hope to surround and capture a good number of British troops. These, it seems plain, are his aims in the first stage of the offensive.

"The enemy is trying to repeat on a larger scale the operation by which he won back some of the ground we gained in the battle of Cambrai. Then he pushed in on an angle of our front both from the north and the east. The two bodies of troops did their best to join hands but could not make it, though they had at first considerable success. Much the same design is being followed now. We have good reasons to hope that it will be checked as was the previous one."

PLEA FOR LASTING PEACE BY POPE

ROME, March 21.—A plea for lasting peace is made by Pope Benedict in his Easter message to the United States, which he sends through The Associated Press. The message says:

"The first message of the risen Saviour to His disciples after suffering the tortures of Passion week, was 'Peace be unto you.' Never has the world for which He sacrificed Himself needed so poignantly that message of peace as today.

"On this solemn occasion no better wish can be made to the country so dear to our hearts, than that the Divine Redeemer may grant a realization of the desire of all, that is, a healing of the existing hatred and the concluding of a lasting peace based on the foundation of justice, fear of God and love of humanity, giving to the world a new organization of peoples and nations united under the aegis of true religion in aspiring to a nobler, bolder and kinder civilization.

"It is true we desire to fulfill our Master's last injunction to His apostles: 'Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature.'

WEEDING OUT PROCESS AT CAMP DEVENS

CAMP DEVENS, Ayer, March 22.—"Fit for field service in France" is a phrase and a situation which faced many men and a few others here in camp within the last week. A board of officers was appointed yesterday to decide just what they are fit for. The board wants to find some way in which these men will help the country and also help the men. A great number of the defects can be remedied.

Likely enough special classes and special training courses will be started for those not up to the physical top-notch. At any rate, these men cannot remain in the places they are now holding. The war department has asked for a final weeding out. Disappointments will be experienced as keen as the disgust of some of the enemy aliens who were not allowed to go on with their training here.

Men who come back from the base hospital weakened, as well as others who develop slight defects, will be included in the group to be specially trained to be made fit again.

COL. SILLMAN TRANSFERRED

The 76th Division loses another colonel through the transfer of Lieut. Col. Robert H. Sillman to the general staff at Washington. Col. Sillman is commander of the Headquarters Train, one of the many sized and interesting trains and one which he had become fond of.

He blames a wooden box of books.

Wherever he has moved in the last 20 years he has left that box behind and

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each time has finally sent for it as soon as he considered himself settled. Each time it arrives simultaneously with orders transferring him again. It followed him to the Philippines in '98, to China to Galveston, and all the way around until it arrived here this week.

The 303d Infantry was examined on the parade ground yesterday. Today the 304th Infantry will be called out by Maj. George Gillian Davis, officer in charge of assembling men for the divisional examinations. Then all the artillery and infantry regiments will have been grilling on how much they have or haven't learned.

Maj. Davis is the new major of the 302d Infantry, just appointed. He is a Harvard 1903 graduate and Law school graduate and was for 13 years in the 1st Corps Cadets, resigning in 1915. Before going to Plattsburgh he was military instructor at Dartmouth.

CAPT. BONNER PROMOTED

Another new major in camp is Capt. Robert Bonner, Q.M.C., of Newton Highlands, recently appointed construction quartermaster hero and yesterday promoted from captaincy. Maj. Bonner was pretty nearly the first man to land in Ayer as the advance guard of the thousands now here. He handled the whole job of leasing the land for the cantonment.

It was a task requiring tact and perseverance as some didn't want to part with their land. Maj. Bonner is a Rhode Islander and served in the Rhode Island National Guard for five years. Of recent years he has been in the real estate business in Boston.

April 6 is apparently going to take large numbers of troops away from camp for Liberty Loan parades and other festivities. Lieut. J. R. Sunderson is planning to take Battery E of the 301st Field Artillery to Malden, the Machine Gun Company of the Boston Regiment is going to parade in East Boston, the mayor of Worcester called on Gen. Hodges to see what soldiers from his city could go.

Capt. Cabanil, captain of the Blue Devils Regiment, came to camp last night with ex-Gov. David L. Walsh and were guests of Maj. Gen. Hodges at dinner and later spoke to a packed auditorium in the main K. of C. building.

Maj. Joseph L. Sauer, assistant division surgeon, has been transferred to Camp Dix, N. J.

Baseball Organizer

Baseball assumed a pre-eminent position in Devens sports yesterday when Capt. Nelligen announced the appointment of Corp. James Richard Kimball of Orange, now in the 21st Company, Depot Brigade, as organizer of camp baseball. Kimball will have charge of laying out a score of baseball diamonds, daily practice of the camp team and the schedules of the company and regimental lines.

Kimball made a fine record at Amherst, playing left field four years. He has also managed the Orange semi-pro nine, played on the Hyannis Mass. team and coached Athol high for two years.

DIVISION 4 EXEMPTION BOARD SETS DATE FOR FINAL ENTRAINMENT INSTRUCTIONS

The following men have been instructed by Division 4 exemption board to meet at the Greenhalge school Thursday evening, March 28, at 7 o'clock for final instructions in regard to their entrainment to Camp Devens for military duty on the following day. The list is subject to revision as reports of medical examinations come in from the Medical Advisory board:

Armand Babin, 250 Middlesex st.; Joseph A. Dallaire, 26 Beaujolais st.; John B. Logan, Raymond place; Roy M. Larose, 94 Lakeview ave.; Vilmar J. Savard, 84 Forest st.; Frederick J. Gullbeault, 113 Aiken st.; Jos. C. Bedard, 207 Cumberland rd.; William F. Riley, 41 West st.; Octave Roy, 87 Sixth ave.; Henry C. Morrisette, 244 Cumberland road; Charles Cote, 765 Lakeview ave.; Alfred A. Fortier, 761 Lakeview ave.

ALTERNATES

Wilfred J. Frechette, 39 Boisvert st.; Wilfred Brancionier, 190 Hall st.

VISITORS FROM MANCHESTER

A delegation of city officials from Manchester, N. H., came to this city this morning for the purpose of studying the auditing and accountant system at city hall and they were very much impressed with what they saw. The city of Manchester has an old system of bookkeeping and the officials find it rather unhandy. They are about to make a change, but before doing so they thought they would come to Lowell and look into our system, which had been recommended to them by Accountant Tarbox.

In the delegation were Aldermen Joseph B. Keeney and J. Emile Brabant, who were appointed a committee to study the Lowell system and report later to the board of aldermen. Accompanying them were City Clerk William J. O'Brien, City Treasurer Almon L. Partridge and City Auditor Paul H. Boire.

INFANTILE PARALYSIS

James Brogan, 12-year-old son of James D. and Margaret Brogan, of 171 Warren street, is suffering from infantile paralysis and as result the entire family have been quarantined at their home by the board of health.

The case was reported by Dr. T. J. Hallinan yesterday, the child having been ill two days, his left arm and left leg being paralyzed. The father is a laborer employed at odd jobs, while the mother is employed at odd jobs at the U. S. Bunting Co. There are five other children in the family, Mary, 14 years; Louise, 10 years; Rita, 7 years; Catherine, 3 years and John, 6 years. Living with the children is also the grandmother, Mrs. Mary Brogan.

LEGISLATURE URGES FINAL PASSAGE OF SAVING BANKS

DEPOSIT BILL
Special to The Sun

STATE HOUSE, Boston, March 22.—Both branches of the legislature suspended all rules today and urged a final passage of the bill providing that the deposits of Massachusetts people in savings banks in other states should be exempt from taxation if such states will pass a similar law with respect to deposits in Massachusetts.

This bill is designed to meet the recent ruling of the bank commissioners of New Hampshire in regard to deposits of New Hampshire citizens in Massachusetts being subject to taxation. The effect of the bill would be the withdrawal of more than two million dollars deposited in Lowell banks alone by residents of New Hampshire.

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OFFICIALS DOUBT GREAT DRIVE BY GERMANS

WASHINGTON, March 22.—American military observers, already having cast their doubts on whether the German drive begun yesterday really heralds the long expected German offensive, were closely scanning the official despatches today for evidence to support their view that the German onslaught was the forerunner of some other movement.

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Supreme confidence is expressed on every hand, however, in the allies' ability to arrest the Germans even should the attack now underway prove to be the grand offensive.

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Fair tonight and Saturday;
not much change in temperature; moderate winds.

First Stage of Great Offensive on Western Front Scored as a German Failure—British Line Still Intact

YANKS WIPE OUT HUNS FIRST AND SECOND LINES

WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY IN attack against the American lines on FRANCE, March 21 (By the Associated Press).—Enemy first and second line positions on a part of the sector east of Lunéville have been destroyed completely by American artillery fire. After the raid into the German positions last night the American gunners shelled the positions heavily all night and this morning.

Today a patrol, without assistance from the artillery, crossed No Man's Land and found that the first and second lines had been wiped out. The patrol also obtained additional information and returned without casualties, the Germans apparently having decided not to molest them.

GERMANS SURRENDER TO YANKEES

Artillery firing by both sides on this sector continued all day.

On the sector northwest of Toul a number of Germans deserted last night and surrendered to an American patrol in a certain wood. The Germans approached the Americans, shouting: "Don't shoot!" The prisoners were turned over to the French.

Much information of value was obtained from the deserters, who said they were "fed up" with the war and decided they would rather be prisoners. Included in the information was the statement that during the gas projector

30 GERMAN SOLDIERS KILLED BY EXPLOSION

WILSON'S PROCLAMATION REACHES HOLLAND

AMSTERDAM, March 22.—The text of President Wilson's proclamation regarding Dutch shipping reached Holland after the Thursday evening newspapers had gone to press. Meanwhile a somewhat bluntly worded despatch from Washington, speaking of "the seizure of the ships, after the war trade board had been informed Holland had rejected the American ultimatum," caused an outburst of puzzled anger from virtually the whole Dutch press. It is argued that there has been no rejection by Holland of an ultimatum, and that previously nothing has been heard of any ultimatum. The feelings of the Dutch to all appearances are badly hurt.

APPROVE PEACE WITH RUSSIA

AMSTERDAM, March 22.—After a long discussion yesterday the Reichstag main committee, a Berlin despatch reports, approved the peace and commercial treaties with Russia. A resolution was adopted calling upon the government to obtain a guarantee for German financial claims, in return for reciprocal action on the part of Germany.

HUSBAND OF ETHEL BARRYMORE GETS DIPLOMA IN AVIA- TION SCHOOL

COLUMBUS, O., March 22.—Among the 96 men who received diplomas from the army aviation school at Ohio State University today were Russell G. Coll, husband of Ethel Barrymore, the actress, and Phillip D. Armour III, nephew of the Chicago packer.

GERMANS OCCUPY OCHAKOV

LONDON, March 22.—The Germans have occupied the city of Ochakov, on the Dnieper estuary, 41 miles northeast of Odessa, Reuter's Petrograd correspondent reports.

MASS. NOTICE

There will be an anniversary high mass Saturday morning at 8 o'clock at St. Peter's church for the repose of the soul of the late Marietta Carroll Fahey.

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EAST MAY LOSE WAR WORK

Many Government Contracts
May be Transferred to West and
South to Relieve Congestion

WASHINGTON, March 22.—An extensive survey of the location of war industries, now being made by the war government departments, may result shortly in the transfer of many government contracts from the industrial congested east to the west and south, where factories are working under less pressure, labor is not quite so scarce and railroad transportation conditions are better.

The many ramifications of the subject have recently been discussed between representatives of the war industries board, the railroad administration, the treasury department, the shipping board and the labor department.

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Take one or two at bedtime for quick relief, so you can eat what you like. At 10c and 25c per box. All druggists

ment. Attempts are being made to formulate a definite policy, which probably will be announced soon.

The necessity for an early decision is emphasized by the fact that hundreds of contracts placed last summer will expire in April and May and a general redistribution must occur.

Scores of manufacturers representatives in Washington looking for contracts and members of congress from the middle west and south are urging a gradual shifting of the industrial burden to their regions.

Officials who have studied the subject scientifically believe that the east is overcrowded but point out a multitude of reasons why there can be no wholesale transfer of contracts to manufacturing districts of the west. The process must be very slow, they say, and will be developed by the placing of single contracts outside of the east wherever conditions warrant.

Bernard M. Baruch has conferred with a number of officials on the subject since he was appointed chairman of the war industries board recently and is known to believe that a better distribution of contracts would result in greater industrial efficiency for the country.

The railroad administration's interest grows out of the serious traffic congestion with which it has been confronted from the Pittsburgh manufacturing district eastward. Director-General McAdoo has told members of congress that some of the traffic load must be taken off eastern carriers, both by re-routing of export traffic through southern ports and by positive efforts to place contracts with due consideration to the transportation factor.

The joint policy of the railroad and shipping boards to divert more export freight to south Atlantic and gulf ports now beginning to materialize, is certain to result eventually in the drawing of manufacturing toward these points, it is pointed out. Reports to the war industries board already indicate a

tendency of manufacturers in the Mississippi valley and the south to figure bids on government contracts in accordance with these new alignments of rail and water transportation.

A committee of traffic experts headed by E. L. Winchell of the Union Pacific is now in the south studying railroad trackage and terminal facilities.

Similar studies have been made of the middle west. Shipping board officials would wel-

come some shifting of manufacturing to interior points to lessen the competition for labor and materials at seaport shipbuilding plants. Recent reports have shown slightly lower wages in the interior, a less pronounced scarcity of men, and less overtime work than in the east.

Western senators and representatives complain that while factories in the east are working two and three shifts of employees daily, industries in the interior in many cases have worked part time, or have shut down

temporarily.

Great efforts are being made to distribute sales of the third Liberty Loan

equitably over the whole country, with a special drive in the south and southwest.

Representatives of these regions

declare they could absorb more govern-

ment securities if their industries were more active.

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NEVER in my nine years in Lowell have I shown you a stock so exclusively high grade. I don't hesitate to make the broad statement that no other concern in Lowell or New England is showing a line that begins to approach my stock of high grade.

Wanskuk **ALL WOOL** Worsteds

I want to convince the man who pays \$35.00 to \$45.00 for his suits. I have gone and procured the product of the one worsted mill that all clothing merchants and tailors like to praise. On the reputation of Wanskuk goods the most skeptical man in Lowell ought to feel content. On a comparison of these Wanskuk goods that I show you, with the goods in the suit you wear, I feel you will admit the superiority of my offering in spite of your prejudices to popular prices.

Blue Serge **Special**

Last week I offered you a special Blue Serge made by the Wood Worsted mill of Lawrence, Mass.

TODAY I OFFER YOU--The famous Waterhouse and Kimball Blue Serge, 2 oz. heavier in weight than my last Saturday Special--a serge that will gratify any man's desire for shade, quality and weave. I have twelve full pieces of this blue in stock. This serge is guaranteed not to fade, will be tailored in first class shape warranted to fit or a new suit, and is sold as a leader for advertising purposes. Suit to order, \$18.00. Buy one and send in your friends.

The largest display of woolens I have ever shown. I have Perseverance Worsteds, Dunn's Worsteds, Sherriff's Worsteds, Rockville, Standish, No. Adams, and when I get these I don't see what is left in woolens for anybody to get better. There is no better made than the above mentioned mills.

**SUIT
TO
ORDER**

\$15

SPECIAL NOTICE

All orders taken this week will be ready for Easter. Starting my 19th year in Lowell, I can truthfully say in that time I have not disappointed one man for Easter, by not having his garments ready as promised. This season I ask my customers to assist me. Labor is not as plentiful today as years gone by, union regulations of an eight-hour day and government restrictions on closing the past month have hampered my production some, but I can overcome this if you will do your share.

ORDER YOUR GARMENTS EARLY. Come in at the appointed time to try them on, then tell the tailor when you want your suit finished and I promise I will not disappoint you.

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ST. RAILWAY PETITION IN LEGISLATURE

BOSTON, March 22.—The petition of

the Bay State Street Railway company to secure legislation which would release it from the obligation of placing a part of its wires in Boston underground, was characterized by Carl Adams, assistant corporation counsel,

"as the most bold and brazen piece of legislation I have ever seen."

Mr. Adams was arguing yesterday afternoon before the legislative committee on street railways that the measure should not pass.

Robert S. Goff, general manager of the company, in advocating the bill, called attention to the weakened finances of the company and to the fact that economies are necessitated by all cities and corporations because of the war. He believed that the work could be done after the company is in a sound financial condition.

Mr. Adams said he saw no reason why the Bay State should ask for relief.

"It would be merely putting a premium on mismanagement," he said. "It would seem also that all a corporation now has to do in order to se-

re-peak of last year's net for pasturage."

Keeping Faith with the Public **No. 4**

There is at last a good outlook for fine tobacco crops at easier prices. Our great facilities for buying and handling tobacco give us an advantage which we are glad to pass along to the dealer and to you. Price-raising in the cigar trade doubtless is a necessity for many manufacturers. It would be necessary with us if we lived for today only. But we are living for the after-the-war days. And we'll continue to sell the TOTEM as a 5¢ cigar so long as it is sane business to do so.

TOTEM **5¢**
CIGAR

Made in the World's Finest Cigar Factory

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BOSTON

action were advocated before the legislative committees on agriculture and public health, sitting jointly, yesterday. Senate Chairman Hart of the committee on public health contended that milk for food is cheap at anything less than 21 cents per quart. Corresponding A. Parker of the Boston Milk Dealers' association; Arthur L. Whittemore, president of the Independent Milk Dealers' association; Dr. H. F. Tyler of Turner Center; Theodore C. Grant and Francis S. Cummings of Somerville spoke in favor of the proposed legislation.

**WOOL SORTERS CLAIM THAT THEY
WERE FORCED OUT
OF WORK**

A representative of the 40 or so wool sorters employed at the George C. Moore mills in North Chelmsford, who claimed that they were forced out of work on Wednesday afternoon by the action of the superintendent, Edgar Dixon, visited the Sun office yesterday afternoon, and gave the wool sorters' side of the story.

He said that two men who had been employed at the mill only a few months and who were not members of the union were asked to produce their cards before next Tuesday morning. Supt. Dixon, upon hearing this, according to the story, maintained that the wool sorters had no right to contact the two non-union employees to get cards and that if they didn't wish to work with them they might walk out. The wool sorters said that they were willing to wait a few days to allow the non-union men to get in touch with the Lawrence branch of the union, under whose jurisdiction they come, and produce the cards.

Supt. Dixon was firm in his conviction, however, that the wool sorters had no right to make any employee do as they dictated and the result was that they were forced to walk out in order to maintain their union traditions.

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15 FITCHBURG NURSES POISONED IN HOSPITAL

FITCHBURG, March 22.—The poison

ing of 15 nurses at Burbank hospital, including Miss Josephine Thurlow, the superintendent, resulted yesterday in an investigation being ordered by Mayor Foss, who is chairman of the hospital trustees. Dr. Whitney, a Boston poison specialist, came here to conduct the probe.

Some of the nurses are in a serious

condition.

Miss Thurlow was first taken ill and

soon after 14 nurses required the at-

tention of physicians. It was stated last

night that all are now out of danger.

The nurses ate a dessert which, it is

believed, was responsible for the illness

of all. A physician who attended some

of the nurses stated last night it might

be a case of ptomaine poisoning.

So far there is no suspicion attached

to anyone employed at the institution.

Local Druggists Are Offering an
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30 Days' Trial

Children's Stomachs Are Delicate—
Easily Upset by Constant Internal
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AMERICAN LEAGUE STANDING

	Won	Lost	P.C.
Boston	47	34	55.0
Providence	41	35	53.2
Washington	39	31	53.4
Lawrence	40	35	53.5
Worcester	29	33	42.6
Portland	27	40	40.3

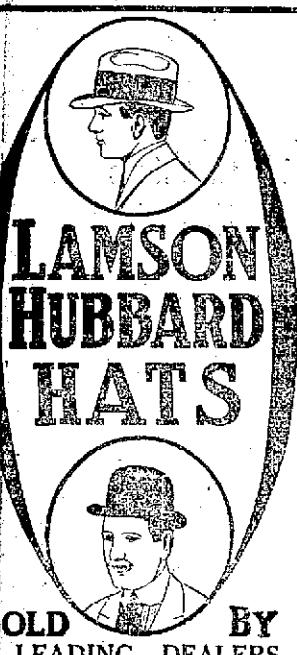
ROLLER POLO RESULTS

Lowell 10, Portland 6, Providence 2.

Billy Yale, the well known roller skating ricer, who has appeared here on several occasions and who is now a member of the naval reserve and stationed at Portland, Maine, will appear in the Portland game in the game at the Rollaway rink tonight. Yale has been playing polo with the navy team at Portland, and is said to be a very clever performer. With Yale and Mulligan on the rink the visitors are sure to show some speed. Mulligan tops the league in going to the spot and Yale was always one of the fast sprinters that ever appeared on the rollers. Frank Mullin, the veteran goal end, who is now playing his best game of the season will appear in front of the "coop." With Harkins back in the Lowell lineup the fans can expect a very speedy contest. Many of Yale's local friends plan to turn out in large numbers to give him a "hand" when he hops into the cage.

BUCKLEY A COMER

Fans who attended the Lowell-Lawrence game the other night are still talking about the fine work turned in by Buckley, the amateur, who played second rush for Lowell. All know that very few men in the game could go in there and play as Harkins does. That's not to be expected. But the local boy jumped in and, helped greatly in the turning apparent defeat into a clean cut victory. Of course the absence of Harkins added additional burdens to the others, Griffith doing the pivot work, while Williams doing the bulk of the floor work. "Buck," however, played at the mouth of the cage, and was always here to hook it in on a pass from either Williams or Griffith. Buckley is also a good driver, an asset that makes him all the more valuable. The trouble with the great majority of those breaking in is that they specialize hooking and neglect to learn driving. The local boy has taken up both and is very proficient in the two.



RESUME OF THE LOCAL BASKETBALL SEASON

Now that the local basketball season is drawing to a close it is of interest to stand in retrospect and pay tribute to the hustling amateur lives which have provided Lowell fans with real thrills on the smooth floor.

Although the predominating interest in polo prevented the success of a professional quintet, nevertheless, the fans proved that they appreciated the game for its own sake as much as ever and some of the "houses" which the amateur contests drew were rivals of the frequent "S.I.O." conditions at the polo scraps.

There were a dozen or so amateur teams in Lowell and during the early and middle part of the winter the claims for the city's championship were profuse and gale. Challenge after challenge was hurled and offers were immediately "taken up." Finally the field shimmered down to five teams that were besting all comers. They were the Y.M.C.A. Intermediates, who we understand were the amateur representatives of the association, the C.Y.M.L. Midgets, the Sacred Heart Five, the Lowell Boys' club and the G.M.L. Cadet Five.

Although these teams have not had as thorough an elimination period of meetings as might be desired, nevertheless, from the records themselves the O.M.L. Cadet Five seems to have the best claim for the championship. This verdict is by no means final or conclusive, but is taken merely from the records as they stand at present.

The success of the Cadet quintet is due in a large measure to the sterling work of its leader, Capt. Dan O'Connor. Although only 16 years old he has held the position of captain for two years and his success last season closely rivaled that of the present year.

Clever pass work and timely shooting combined with handy work in directing the course of play have been some of the salient elements contributing to his own success and that of his team. He has the typical basketball build, and a "grin" that can't be erased makes him popular, not only with his followers but with his opponents. However, the Cadet Five has

CAPT. DAN O'CONNOR

Curran have capably covered the centre and forward positions.

Capt. O'Connor is known throughout the city not only as an athlete but as a popular member of the Cadets' field music corps where he handles the drum sticks like a veteran.

CONFERENCE TO SETTLE CLAIMS FOR HIGHER WAGES MADE BY STATIONARY ENGINEERS

BROCKTON, March 22.—A conference which was expected to bring about a settlement of the claims for higher wages, made by 200 stationary engineers under threat of a strike, was held today between representatives of the engineers and members of the Shoe Manufacturers' association. Satisfactory agreements on a wage scale were believed to have been reached with the city departments in which some of the engineers are employed and with the Edison Illuminating Co. and the Brockton Gas Light Co. Union men believed an agreement would be reached with the shoe manufacturers which would eliminate the only remaining difference.

SAYS GIANTS WILL REPEAT

Despite the addition of Alexander and Killefer, a battery both ends of which he considers the greatest in the game, Pat Moran does not believe the Cubs will wrest the National League leadership from the Giants. The manager of the Phillies picks the Giants to repeat, with the Cubs as contenders. He

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departments. Buckley is a clever all round athlete, being an exceptionally good ball player. He can pitch, catch, play the infield or outfield, and as a batter he is one of the city's best. This will help him in polo. He has the goods and is ready and willing to accept the advice of his instructors. Griff and Williams both gave him many tips, and he says that whatever success he attained the other night was due to the coaching of the "Kid" and "Griff." He said that he greatly appreciated their assistance, and in return gave all that was in him, in an endeavor to bring home the bacon. With a little more experience and a better equipment he ought to soon graduate. More power to him.

Amateur Game

The Andover A. C., one of the fastest amateur teams in these parts, will meet the Highland Daylights, Lowell's speedy quintet, before the league game tonight. Both teams will present their strongest lineups and a great game is expected. The game will start at 7:30 o'clock.

Ben Keaveney in his Lawrence paper prints the following with the request that Lowell papers please copy:

"Williams doesn't show any "yellow" against any team but Lawrence, but Dean and Hardy both have caused the Lowell rush to have a deep-seated respect for them and he is not nearly as effective against Lawrence as he is against other teams."

Ben also had this one tucked in a corner of his column:

"Lowell is a fine sporting city, but the fans have such a deep hatred for Lawrence that they go to any end to shew it."

been by no means a one-man outfit. Harmonious team work has been one of the big secrets of the squad's success. Capt. O'Connor has been ably assisted by his brother, John O'Connor, Manager Frank Gargan and Ray Linton as backs, while George Hammersley, Leo Allen, Dick Thomas and Jas.

does not hazard any prediction as to the probable place of the Phils at the finish, but he avers he aims high. Moran says:

"New York should repeat. McGraw has strengthened a club which was good enough to win the flag last year. With the going of Alexander and Killefer to Chicago the Cubs now are contenders. A battery of their caliber would put almost any National League team in the shade. New York gets my vote, not because McGraw is the leader, but on account of the superior balance in all departments of the club. Alexander and Killefer will keep Chicago in the running, but in the final test the superior field and outfield of the Giants should carry them through a winner."

"In Alexander I have lost the greatest pitcher I ever watched in action. I have seen all the old-timers and also the cream of the modern age. After carefully considering such stars as Christy Mathewson and others I award the wreath to Alex as the greatest all-around pitcher. He has it by a slight margin over Matty."

INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE MEETING MARCH 25

NEW YORK, Mar. 22.—Minor league magnates are awaiting with unusual interest the outcome of the meeting of the International League, scheduled to be held in this city on Monday, March 25. The conference will be the second since the annual meeting of the league was adjourned late in December. It is expected that at the coming session the club owners will decide definitely whether the organization will continue its circuit during the season of 1918 or abandon play for the duration of the war. Such evidence as is available in advance would appear to indicate that the league will operate this summer.

Several of the club owners have clearly intimated that they are opposed to a continuation of play under the present unsettled conditions, incidental to the war. Others stand ready to back baseball for another season at least, but just which side will hold the majority vote cannot be stated before the day of the meeting. If it is decided to discontinue the schedule there is a bare possibility that one or more of the clubs will form a new league by joining hands with other city combinations which have in past seasons been a part of lower classification circuits.

A decision on the part of the International League to drop out would be a severe blow to organized baseball for the association is one of the pioneers among the minor leagues and a steady and important factor in the development of the game and of players for major league circuits. The league was organized in 1892 and continued without a break until the close of the 1917 season. During the initial year a two-season schedule was played but since 1903 the pennant race has been along the lines of the majors.

Providence with six championship pennants to its credit leads all the cities, which have at various times held membership in the organization. Rochester comes next with five and Buffalo and Toronto are tied with four each, while Binghamton, Erie, Syracuse, Springfield, Montreal, Jersey City, Baltimore and Newark have each captured one titular flag.

The outcome of the conference is likely to have a distinct bearing upon the decision of other minor leagues in relation to their plans for the coming season. Several of these organizations are in rather an uncertain frame of mind regarding the financial outlook for baseball on the smaller circuits during 1918 and are likely to be swayed to some extent by the example set by the International League club owners. Up to the present time less than half of the leagues which began the 1917 season have prepared and promulgated their schedules for 1918.

Even under the most favorable conditions it is not expected that there will be the same number of organizations operating as was the case twelve months ago. The records show that some 22 leagues opened the season a year ago and that about 75 per cent played through the season or the major portion of the same. In 1916, twenty-four leagues were in operation and the year previous the number was 56 more, while in 1914 the lists show more than forty leagues in the various classifications throughout the country.

Although the University of Pennsylvania team has clinched the championship of the Intercollegiate Basketball League, several other college fives without membership in this association, have made records on the courts this season which stamp them as combinations of unusual skill. This is particularly true of Syracuse and Union. Both these colleges have been represented by teams of exceptional ability and have long winning records to their credit. Syracuse is expected to make application for admission to the Intercollegiate League before the 1919 season opens.

Another innovation in the figures is to make public the number of times a player reached first base on a fielding error. Harold H. Chase, of Cincinnati, was the leader in this respect, qualifying as a base runner on 27 occasions through manual mistakes on the part of the Reds' opponents. Henry Groh, of Cincinnati, was the runner up to Burns in the total of passes procured, with a total of 71. He played in four more games than the New Yorker.

Ranking second to Fletcher in gaining easily passed was his teammate, Charles Herzog, now the property of the Boston club. He was hit 12 times.

David Bancroft, Philadelphia shortstop, had the second best record in reaching first on errors, his total being 29, or nine less than Chase's. There were 61 National leaguers last season who took part in 100 or more games, the greatest number being members of the St. Louis club—nine of these men the one who fanned the least frequently was Ivy Wingo, of Cincinnati. He missed 12 bases in 121 contests. J. Eddie House, of the same club, struck out 21 times in 136 engagements.

The team leaders of the eight clubs in drawing passes of both kinds and in reaching first on errors were as

follows:

Boston—Smith in passes, Rawlings in being hit by pitchers. Marcelline in reaching first on errors.

Brooklyn—Stengel in passes and in being hit by pitchers. Daubert in reaching first on errors.

New York—Burns in passes and Fletcher in being hit by pitchers. Ward in reaching first on errors.

Chicago—Plunk in passes, Williams in being hit by pitchers. Mann in reaching first on errors.

Philadelphia—Cravath in passes and in reaching first on errors.

Luders in being hit by pitchers and Bancroft in reaching first on errors.

Pittsburg—Carey in passes and in being hit by pitchers. Ward in reaching first on errors.

St. Louis—Hornsby in passes and in being hit by pitchers. Long in reaching first on errors.

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INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE MEETING MARCH 25

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A complete assortment of Children's Coats in sizes 6 to 14 years, in checks and serges, in all colors with silk and white pique collar and cuffs. These coats are moderately priced and could not be duplicated at the prices they are now marked. Prices

**\$3.98, \$5.00, \$7.50
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Pretty Spring Dresses IN Serge, Taffeta and Foulard

Dresses aspangle with newness and style, all the style innovations of spring. Every new style note is represented. Dresses of every favored material and combination in all the leading shades.

Lovely Taffeta Dresses \$15, \$18.50, \$25
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WHITE DRESS LINEN—36 inches wide, just the quality for dresses; regular price 79c per yard. Special price 59c Per Yard

ULSTER LINEN SUITING—33 inches wide, in the following shades: Light blue, old rose, light green, pink, sand and medium blue. Special price 25c Per Yard

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LONG CLOTH SPECIAL—Egyptian Long Cloth—27 inches wide, just received 200 pieces of good quality Long Cloth; regular price 19c yd., (10 yds. in a piece.) Special price \$1.50 Piece

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Most careful attention has been given to our selection of Women's Neckwear. Never before have we assembled such wonderful fabrics with exquisite trimmings of lace and embroidery.

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Swiss embroidered collars, daintily trimmed with filet lace, at 25c and 50c Each

Pique roll and flat collars, at 50c, 75c, \$1.00 Each Hand embroidered pique collars, trimmed with Irish crochet lace, at \$1.00 Each

Satin roll and flat collars, at 50c, \$1.00, \$1.50, \$2 Each Satin monk collars, at \$1.50 Each

Hand embroidered pique collar and cuff sets, embroidered in colors, at \$1.50 and \$2.00 Each Linen collar and cuff sets, daintily trimmed with venise lace, at \$1.00, \$2.00, \$3.00 Set

Swiss embroidered lawn collar and cuff sets, at 50c Set Hand embroidered French voile collar and cuff sets, at \$3.00 a Set

Satin collar and cuff sets, in plain and figured satin, at \$1.00 and \$1.50 Set

Children's pique collar and cuff sets 25c Set

Filet lace jabots at \$2.00 and \$3.00 Each

Net jabots, daintily trimmed with filet, oriental and venise lace, at 50c, \$1.00, \$1.50, \$2.00, \$2.50 Each

Pique Buster Brown collars, plain and lace trimmed, at 50c Each

Colored lawn collar and cuff sets, in rose, pink, blue, tan and lavender, at \$1.00 and \$1.50 Set

East Section

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RIBBONS

This is really a sale—and some excellent values are to be found here—Also the new spring colors and designs are in and will be gladly shown for the asking.

Satin ribbons of fine quality, 6 to 9 inch width; regular value 39c, 49c yard, at 25c Yard

Dresden and Persian ribbons, 5 inch width; regular value 29c yard, at 15c Yard

Hairbow taffetas, moire and messalines, 4 to 6 inch widths; regular value 25c, 39c yard, at 15c Yard

Taffeta and messaline ribbons, 3-5 inch widths; regular value 15c, 19c yard, at 5c Yard

Colored gros grain ribbons, 1/2 to 3 inch widths; regular value 12c, 20c, at 5c, 15c Yard

Bug ribbons, light, dark and medium colorings or in combination; regular value 29c, 98c yard, at 15c, 69c Yard

Black and colored velvet, 1 and 2 inch widths; regular value 25c, 39c, at 10c, 15c Yard

Fancy ribbon bags; regular value 75c, \$6.00, at 29c, \$3.00 Each

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Centre Aisle

Children's Wash DRESSES FOR EASTER

A relief from the winter clothing, already beginning to look just a bit shabby, are these fresh pretty dresses for girls from 6 to 16 years.

ALL NEW SPRING DRESSES

Plaid and Striped Ginghams and Plain Chambrays, made with large fancy white pique collars, fancy pockets and belts, in high waist line effects. Plain white pique dresses, also pretty dresses in plaid and stripes. Age 6 to 16 years. Price

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Patriotic Picture Frames, of old gold, with imprint of the American Flag at one side—suitable for holding picture, size 6x4. Special, at

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WASHINGTON, March 22.—Publication yesterday of the long-held secret official British admiralty figures showing exactly the total of submarine losses up to Jan. 1 and that despite anti-submarine measures the under-sea boats were destroying ships twice as fast as the world's shipyards are building them, promises to be the forerunner of further official pronouncements which will bring home to America, more strikingly than ever before, the need of a bridge of ships to France.

Chairman Hurley of the shipping board, in a speech in New York next Tuesday, will undoubtedly give some facts which, taken in connection with the recent declarations of Sir Eric Geddes, first lord of the British admiralty, and the official figures published here yesterday by the British embassy, will show the present ship construction situation as clearly as the British have shown the rate of destruction.

The British official figures published so unexpectedly here yesterday, when everyone thought they would be indefinitely withheld because of the supposedly valued information they might give the Germans, were not without their note of comfort despite the ringing warning they gave of the need of pushing shipbuilding.

While they show more than 11,000,000 tons of ships destroyed since submarine warfare began and only 6,000,000 tons of ships built to take their places, they show that the rate of submarine destruction steadily has decreased from the heights it reached when, early in 1917, Germany announced a new and unrestricted campaign of ruthlessness and forced the United States into the war.

Labor troubles in England, according to confidential advices, have caused serious delays in production. While the vast majority of American workmen have rallied to the support of the fight-

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"STRIKE OF DESERTERS"
IN SWITZERLAND

council are endeavoring to get the government to annul the civil mobilization decree, but public opinion in a vast majority is stoutly opposed to any concessions to the deserters.

"KIDDER" IN A FRONT LINE TRENCH
IN FRANCE PULLS A

GOOD ONE

WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY IN FRANCE, Feb. 20. (Correspondence of The Associated Press. Released today.)—What is known back in the United States as a "kidder" cannot be suppressed even in a front line trench in France.

Seven men were standing in a trench section. All looked as if they might have been rolling around in the mud and they were well-bearded. High in the sky an airplane circled round and round over the German lines. A sergeant took a look at it through his field glasses.

"Boche," said he. Then a moment later he added: "Headed this way."

The machine came closer and closer over head. One young private who had just come up from a replacement division and had not seen many airplanes—especially German airplanes—before, watched this one intently. His head kept going back, back, back until his neck was on a right angle with his body. And his mouth which had opened just a little as his head started going back, finally was wide open. There he was looking up open-mouthed. Then the sergeant saw him.

"Hey there," cried the sergeant, "you better close that. First thing you know that Boche will see that opening, think it's a dugout door and drop a bomb in it."

CONSIDER PROHIBITION
QUESTION TUESDAY

Special to The Sun

STATE HOUSE, Boston, March 22.—Carrying out a plan agreed upon by both factions, the house yesterday assigned Tuesday of next week as the day for considering the prohibition question, and it is understood that Rep. Achille of Lowell, who has charge of the report of his committee in favor of a referendum on the question, will ask the house to convene at 12 o'clock on that day, in order that two hours may be added to the time for debate, in an effort to reach a vote before adjournment.

HOYT.

WALTER H. HICKEY ACCEPTS JOB
AS PURCHASING AGENT FOR
RUBBER COMPANY

Walter H. Hickey, superintendent of the local division of the Bay State Street Railway Co., after over 21 years of service in street railway business in this city, has tendered his resignation to accept a position as purchasing agent with the B. F. Goodrich Rubber company. For the time being he will make his headquarters in Boston.

Mr. Hickey is one of the best known street railway men in this vicinity and it is with regret that the officials of the Bay State Street Railway Co. as well as patrons of the road learned of his intention to sever his connections with that company. He had worked his way up from errand boy to the position of superintendent and his complete knowledge of the street railway business is well known.

He is a practical man in every sense of the word and besides being conversant with the methods of operating cars, preparing timetables and taking general supervision his mechanical ability is known better at the power houses on the Bay State lines than to the ordinary patron of the road. He will begin his new duties April 1.

DEALERS DISCUSS PRICE OF MILK
AND ADOPT SCHEDULE OF

PRICES

A meeting of the Lowell and Suburban Dairymen's association was held last evening in Odd Fellows hall, Centralville with Bert A. Cuff of Dracut

as chairman.

This means a raise in every case except for Dracut and Tewksbury, but

the president of the association in a statement issued at the close of the meeting claims, although the prices will be increased by the producers, there is no reason for the dealers to ask more for the milk. The statement follows:

"When the dealers raised their prices the last time they were acting upon the schedule given by the federal milk commission to the dealers in Boston and within a certain number of miles of Boston. However, we producers did not feel that increase, for the dealers continued to take our milk at the old price. Now, in turn, we are taking as a basis for our rises, the schedule fixed by the federal milk commission for producers and which we should have obtained at the same time that the dealers in Lowell got theirs. There is no reason why, even when we obtain these prices, the dealers should raise their prices, as this action will mean simply restoring the old margin that existed before the federal price fix-

ing."

CLUB CITOYENS-AMERICAINS

About 300 members of Club Citoiens-Américains participated in an oyster supper, which was served in the club rooms in Middle street last evening.

The affair was complimentary to the

members and proved successful in every

way. In the early part of the eve-

ning oysters in all forms were served

and later an enjoyable entertainment

program was given those taking part

being Ludger Lapointe, Joseph Bouth

and Emery Gauthier. The committee in

charge consisted of J. Z. Chochard,

chairman; Ludger Lapointe, Alfred Har

noult, Hormidas Arvisiut, Achille St.

Pierre and Joseph St. Hilaire.

MOTOR BOAT CLUB

The annual meeting of the Lowell

Motor Boat club was held last night

at the club's headquarters in Paw-

tucket street. Considerable routine

business was transacted and arrange-

ments were made for the opening

of the boating season and plans for va-

rious events were discussed, but no

formal action was taken. The election

of officers resulted as follows:

James H. Walker, commodore; Ches-

ter ray, vice commodore; E. O. Page,

recording secretary; N. A. Nichols, fi-

nancial secretary; M. B. Adams, trea-

surer; Daniel Gorman, Walter Tarr and

E. A. Brooks compose the board of

directors for a two-year term.

A saloonkeeper named August, who

lives in Saskatoon, which goes dry

April 1, has hung this sign in his sa-

loon window: "The first of April will

be the last of August."

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N.E. SAFETY COUNCIL ELECTS OFFICERS

BOSTON, March 22.—The absolute necessity of industrial safety work in the prevention of accidents and the regulation of conditions of labor, in order to win the war now and to maintain normal conditions after the war, was emphasized yesterday at the City club by speakers at the second annual meeting of the New England safety council, a branch of the national safety council and affiliated with the Associated Industries of Massachusetts.

At the business meeting J. W. Higgins of the Worcester Pressed Steel company was elected president of the New England council and T. G. Toohey, director of safety for the William Fife's Sons company, F. A. Flather of the Doott mills, Lowell, C. E. Falge, manager of the Malden and Melrose Gas Light company, and S. W. Wakeman, general manager of the Fore River and Victory shipbuilding plant at Quincy, vice presidents. E. E. Saunders of Fitchburg was elected secretary and treasurer.

Other officers elected included Dr. R. S. Quincy of Watertown and H. L. Robinson of Worcester, assistant secretaries; W. B. Shaw of the Massachusetts rating and inspection bureau and D. S. Bayer of the Liberty Mutual Insurance company, chairman of the membership and program committee; T. G. Toohey, director of publicity and chairman of the executive committee.

The executive committee includes the officers and R. M. Turner, general manager of the Associated Industries of Massachusetts; Capt. William C. White of Lowell, George W. Tupper, New England N.M.C.A. industrial secretary; Dist. Atty. Joseph C. Pelletier, L. G. Von Woodside, secretary and treasurer of the Hampden county safety council, and J. M. Rice of Worcester, secretary and treasurer of the Worcester county safety council.

After Lieut. Gen. Calvin Coolidge had assured the council of the co-operation of every department of the state, speaking for Gov. McCall, H. G. Smith, manager of the Bethlehem Shipbuilding corporation, retiring president of the New England safety council, made his annual address on "The Effect of the Safety Movement of the Great World Struggle."

Edwin C. McIlreaddy, commissioner of the state board of labor and industries, warned against the increase in accidents and urged preventive work. Dr. Kelley of the state board of health also issued a warning against losses through preventable causes of sickness. Other speakers were Commissioner Moyer of the state board of education, who urged a museum of safety appliances in Boston with branches and exhibits throughout the state, and Edward McSweeney of the war efficiency board, who discussed the problems of labor during and after the war.

There are, he declared 20,000 munition workers in and about Boston without adequate housing facilities for them and more are coming into Quincy. He described the disastrous experience of England with women introduced into munition factories without proper housing, and declared that "the problem of America today is the labor problem."

A letter was received from Gov. McCall in which he expressed his hearty approval of any steps taken toward the lessening of industrial accidents.

COMPULSORY PHYSICAL EDUCATION BILL

BOSTON, March 22.—A bill to provide for the appointment by the state board of education of a director of physical education was yesterday reported by the legislative committee on education. The director would have supervision of the physical education in the public schools of the commonwealth.

Under the provisions of the bill the appointment shall be for five years from Sept. 1, 1918, at \$6000 salary. There shall be two assistant directors for the same term, one a woman, at \$2500.

The introduction of physical education is made compulsory in all public schools after Sept. 1, not less than two hours a week and not less than three in high schools, to be given to the department.

New Hampshire Deposits

A bill intended to forestall the threatened withdrawal of New Hampshire money from Massachusetts banks, particularly in the Merrimack river valley cities and towns, has been unanimously reported by the legislative committee on banks and banking on the petition of Representative Essex S. Abbott of Haverhill.

The measure, which is a duplicate of the New Hampshire law, exempts from taxation the deposits of Massachusetts citizens in banks in such states outside Massachusetts as have a similar provision of law.

The committee reported adversely on the petition for the incorporation of the Massachusetts Credit Union bank.

GERMANS FOMENT STRIKES IN ARGENTINE AND URUGUAY

BUENOS AIRES (Correspondence of the Associated Press, Released today).—Belief that German agitators still are using large sums of German money transferred from New York to foment revolutionary labor troubles in Argentina and Uruguay is widespread in both countries. It has been stated in government circles here that Ambassador Naon was bringing from Washington proofs of the activity of German agents in fomenting conspiracies against the governments of those two South American countries and Brazil.

It is widely believed here that both Argentina and Uruguay have been kept in continual turmoil through labor troubles and anarchistic outbreaks solely for the purpose of interfering with any assistance they are able to give the entente allies and with the object of indirectly effecting the allied cause by seriously damaging the financial



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The American Defense society respectfully urges upon you co-operation in nullifying the wrong to American citizenship of the binding together of immigrants of a particular nationality whereby race prejudices are intensified and continued has become startlingly apparent.

These labor troubles soon spread across the river into Argentina and the country has not been free of more or less serious uprisings among laborers and anarchists for the last four months. Property has been destroyed, soldiers and innocent people shot down and many acres of crops burned. In sev-

eral instances, especially in the case of packing house strikes, not one employee of the companies affected has been represented on the strike committees that visited the managers.

There are evidences that Ambassador Naon has kept in close touch with the American department of state regarding German activities in Argentina and the people here were looking forward to new exposures when he met President Irigoyen on returning from Washington.

The country welcomes all who desire to become Americans. The German-American alliance welcomes all who desire to remain Germans. The republic and its ideals and the German-American alliance and its ideals cannot exist together within the United States of America.

"The German-American alliance is openly an alliance among Germans as such in America. Its actual ultimate aim is to subordinate the welfare of the republic to the ambitions of the emperor of Germany.

"We ask your vote for a free American session.

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THE FARM LABOR PROBLEM

Now is the Time to Get Rid of These Ugly Spots .

Do you know how easy it is to remove those ugly spots so that no one will call you freckle-face? Simply get an ounce of ointment, double strength, from your druggist and a few applications should show you how easy it is to rid yourself of freckles and get a beautiful complexion. The sun and winds of March have a strong tendency to bring out freckles, and as a result more ointment is sold in this month. Be sure to ask for the double strength ointment, as this is sold under guarantee of money back if it fails to remove the freckles.

The following article relative to the part in solving the farm labor problem and the responsibility of town people in the production of enough food, is by David F. Houston, secretary of agriculture:

Some time ago I issued a statement concerning the farm labor problem. It is pointed out that there will be labor difficulties to overcome this year as last and that in certain sections, especially in the neighborhood of large industrial centers, the difficulties will be acute. The lines of work were indicated along which the departments of agriculture and labor, through representatives in various agricultural colleges and other agencies, are trying to furnish assistance. Briefly stated, these agencies are doing the following things: (a) making a survey of the farm labor situation in each county with a view to discoverable surpluses of labor in order to

make ready to assist in furnishing labor wherever it is needed; (b) assisting again in shifting labor from community to community and from state to state, as in past years; (c) promoting fuller co-operation among farmers in the same community; (d) making available, so far as possible, high school boys in rural districts who have had experience in farming and who are not normally regularly or fully employed in farming operations; (e) making every effort to see that there is no obstacle in the way of the production of a larger supply of farm machinery and its fuller use as a supplement to hand labor.

Last year, in spite of all the difficulties, the farmers planted the largest acreage in the history of the nation, harvested record crops of most important things except wheat, and succeeded in greatly increasing the number of live stock. Since last year skilled farm labor has been given deferred classification and the secretary of war has asked for power to turn long soldiers of the national army if their training permits, so that they may return to their farms and assist. It is believed that the farmers of the nation can, by effective organization and co-operation, with such assistance as can be furnished, again overcome labor difficulties and produce large quantities of foods, feedstuffs and live stock.

Must Aid Farmers

There is an opportunity now for urban people sympathetically and constructively to study the farm-labor situation and to render assistance. In many towns and cities there are men who have had farming experience, who are jobholders, and who would doubtless be willing to serve the nation in the field of agriculture at this time. Especially for the seasonal strains of planting, cultivating, and harvesting, it will not be too much to ask such men to aid the farmers in the necessary undertaking of maintaining and, if possible, supplementing, the food supply in order to feed the armies and to sustain the civilian population behind them. If soldiers are willing to serve in the trenches, to dig ditches, build railroads and risk their lives, many civilians can well afford to spare a part of their time to serve in the furrows and in the harvest fields. It appears that the farmers of a community or region are not able to secure the necessary labor by the usual methods, then the leaders in the town or city immediately dependent upon that region should organize, establish touch with representative farm leaders, and see if they cannot assist in solving the problem. In so doing they will not only aid the farmers of the nation but they will vitally contribute to their own well-being and to that of their community.

The farmers are willing to do all that they humanly can but, where their labor supply cannot be furnished from the ordinary sources, it must be recruited from those whose very sustenance depends upon the farmers. The soldier and the farmer are eager to do their full share; the soldier is taking the chances of losing his life and the farmer is risking the labors of a year on the chance of the seasons; both incur risks. Very many civilians are equally eager to do their share but may not appreciate the opportunity to serve in the field of agriculture.

The department of agriculture and labor will render every possible aid, to a good "inside" cleansing. Directions for babies, children of all ages, grown-ups are plainly on the label.

Other: Your child isn't naturally strong and vivacious. See if tongue is red; this is a sure sign the little ones liver and bowels need a purgative. Your child is listless, pale, feverish, full of breath bad, throat sore, doesn't sleep naturally, has stomachache, diarrhoea, constipation, a men's liver and bowel cleansing should be the first treatment given.

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HALT BIG DRIVE*Continued*

While the infantry is being held temporarily in check, the artillery battle is still raging, according to indications in the news despatches. Great numbers of Austrian cannon are declared to have been transferred to the western front to reinforce the German artillery. But gunboats, too, have been brought into the field by the German command. It is declared, the understanding being that they are to be used as a strategic reserve.

German Losses Terrific

Altogether the indications are that the central powers have massed all possible forces at their disposal on the west front for their present drive. All the reports indicate that the German losses have been terrific under the withering fire of the British artillery and machine guns.

Kaiser Directs Attack

Emperor William, Field Marshal von Hindenburg and Gen. von Ludendorff are reported behind the German lines while the attack is in progress.

Activity On Italian Front

Meanwhile the Italian front is beginning to attract more attention. Rome today reports operations becoming more active along the entire line.

The American troops in France have done some further active work in patrol fighting and raiding.

 Germans Suffer Heavy Losses

In their first onslaught, the enemy, after a gigantic bombardment from great masses of guns, passed the British outposts at some points and at-

tailed the battle line, but nowhere did the Germans gain the objectives planned. Regiment after regiment was hurled against the defenses of the British front and Field Marshal Haig reports the German losses as exceptionally heavy.

Desperate Fighting Continues

Desperate fighting continues all along the line from the Somme to the Oise and especially on the Cambrai sector. Enemy efforts before Cambrai were aimed principally to the north and south of the salient left after the fighting ceased there last November with the evident purpose of cutting off the salient and driving through the opening toward the old battlefield of the Somme.

British Ready for Attack

Germany's latest offensive finds both sides prepared for the shock of prolonged and sanguinary combat. For months the Germans have been training troops and moving up guns and supplies behind their lines between Arras and St. Quentin. The British also have been active and were prepared for any blow the enemy might deliver, and had anticipated that the offensive movement would come where it did.

Attack May Be Only a Feint

Behind the British lines is the devastated area over which the Germans retreated last March. Field Marshal von Hindenburg declared at the time that the devastation was carried out, not only to hamper the allied armies, but to provide a bastion for the future. The German attack may be only a feint but a large breach in the British lines might involve the safety of Paris and Amiens and the French channel ports from the mouth of the Seine to Belgium.

French Repulse Germans

German artillery fire also has been intense on a lengthy front north of La Bassene canal and in the Ypres sector in Flanders. On the French front the Germans have carried out minor attacks northeast of Verdun and in Lorraine. French troops repulsed both attempts with loss.

British Attack Ostend

British monitors and naval aircraft have made a combined attack on Ostend, Belgium, a German aerial and submarine base, and British seaplanes have attacked, enemy mine sweepers near Heligoland with machine gun fire. In the attack on Ostend British airmen brought down five German machines, while the monitors bombarded the town heavily.

Germany May War on Holland

Germany, according to unofficial reports from The Hague, considers that the attitude of Holland toward the Anglo-American shipping demand has changed the relations between the German and Dutch governments. The same report says that Germany would take it as a cause of war if Holland should abandon her remaining demands regarding the use of seized Dutch ships by the United States and Great Britain.

 Germans Attack French Front

PARTIS, March 21.—The Germans are carrying out a heavy bombardment along several sectors of the front, it is announced officially. Three infantry attacks near Hurlus were beaten off by the French. The statement follows: "During the day the German artillery kept up a very violent bombardment between the Miette and the Aisne, in the whole Rheims region and on the Champagne front, especially between the region of the heights and Ville-en-

Tourte. Our batteries everywhere repelled energetically."

"In the sector of Hurlus the Germans made three attacks, but were repulsed."

Decisive Battle for Peace

LONDON, March 22.—"We are now entered on a decisive battle for general peace," says the Taegelsche Rundschau of Berlin, according to an Exchange telegraph despatch from Copenhagen. In announcing that the commencement of the German offensive in the west is received with great solicitation by the German people, who will follow it with feverish interest. The newspaper adds: "A single combat between England and Germany, which is to decide the war, our future position in the world and whether the Anglo-Saxons shall continue to press their will on the world, opened today."

Enemy Held By British

LONDON, March 22.—The eagerly awaited British official statement of to-day which was expected to give further details of the tremendous fighting indicated in last night's reports, was read with great satisfaction, insofar as it revealed that the enemy had been held and had suffered great losses.

If this turns out to be the great German offensive that has been predicted, the preliminary round appears to have gone in favor of the entente, although, as the official report points out, further heavy fighting is still to be expected.

The tremendous artillery duel was heard more distinctly than ever in Kent last night. Houses were continually shaken as the result of the violent concussions.

The statement follows: "Fighting continued until a late hour last night on the whole front between the River Oise and the River Seine. Our troops continue to hold the enemy in their battle positions."

During the enemy's attacks yesterday his massed infantry offered remarkable targets to our rifles, machine guns and artillery, of which full advantage was taken by our troops. All the reports testify to the exceedingly heavy losses suffered by the enemy.

"No serious attack has yet developed this morning but heavy fighting is still to be expected."

British Gain In Counter Attacks

BRITISH ARMY HEADQUARTERS IN FRANCE, March 22.—Vigorous counter-attacks late yesterday restored some of the positions which the British had abandoned temporarily. The fighting is still continuing, but the first stage of the offensive has passed. The enemy has failed badly in the execution of his program, as is attested by captured documents showing what he planned to do in the early hours of his offensive. The exact British line cannot be made public at present. The only reason is that it might furnish the enemy with valuable information.

 Germans Attacked In Waves

Last night was fairly quiet along the front. This morning, the Germans were bombing in the region of Croiselles. There were indications that they intended to continue their attacks today. The weather is cold and bleak. A heavy mist makes air reconnaissances impossible. This is of advantage to the British, as the enemy is deprived of greatly needed aerial observation.

The Germans in many sections yesterday attacked in three waves of infantry, followed by shock troops. As a result, they suffered very heavy casualties.

The heavily massed German artillery has been badly hammered by the British guns. One of the most brilliant British counter-attacks occurred at Dagnies. The British advanced with infantry and tanks at 7 p.m. and after fierce fighting drove out the enemy.

LETTER CARRIER SHOT BY BOY WHILE DELIVERING MAIL**IN HIGHLANDS**

A boy who resides in the vicinity of Tyler park appeared before Judge Engle in the juvenile court this morning upon complaint that he had shot Letter Carrier Simon J. Kelley in the leg. By agreement the matter was continued for two weeks.

It is alleged that while Mr. Kelley has been traversing his route the boy in question had set a dog on him and last Saturday fired a shot from an air rifle which penetrated the carrier's leg. The matter was reported to the postmaster and as a result the father of the boy was informed that no more mail matter would be delivered at the house owing to the presence of the dog and attitude of the son. The matter was referred to the superintendent of police with the result that the boy was summoned into court today.

BARTENDERS MAY STRIKE

Unless the demand of a minimum wage of \$25 a week for the bartenders is granted it is expected that there will be a general walkout. A largely attended meeting of the bartenders was held last night at 32 Middle street. The meeting was called to order shortly after midnight and after the members had been addressed by Messrs. Charles L. Marren and Anthony Conway of the Lowell Liquor Dealers' association the bartenders discussed the matter and they were practically unanimous in declaring that if the minimum wage was not granted there would be a general strike. The bartenders feel confident that the wage increase will be granted without resorting to a walkout. The meeting came to a close at two o'clock this morning.

LOWELL NIGHTS UNDER AUSPICES OF LOWELL BOARD OF TRADE—PROMINENT SPEAKERS

Notices have been sent out to members of the board of trade apprising them of the coming "Lowell night" to be held under the auspices of the body on Monday, April 1, at the state armory in Westford street. From pres-

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PALM OLIVE SOAP

BIG SPECIAL FOR THIS SATURDAY

2 Cakes for 7c and a Coupon

Palm Olive Soap is usually sold for 15c a cake, or 2 for 25c. This special sale makes the COUPON WORTH 18c. Bring your coupons to Saunders, with 7c and get 2 cakes which are worth at least 25c.

BUTTER, Best Fresh Made	Elgin 45c	Cudahy's Rex Pure White Lard, lb.	27c	EGGS, Fresh Western, Doz.	40c
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Pork Shoulders lb.	19c	Potatoes No. 1 Maine Stock, 15 lb.	29c	Pork Butts lb.	22c
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Medium Size Potatoes, 15 lbs.	23c	Flake White, the best lard substitute, lb.	25c	Sweet Pickled Shoulders, lb.	21c
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CORN FED SMALL WHOLE PIGS, lb.	23c, 25c	Southdown MUTTON LEGS, lb.	25c
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GENUINE LAMB FORES Lb. 18c	LEG AND LOIN Genuine Lamb Lb. 25c	Southdown MUTTON FORES Lb. 21c	Smoked Sugar Cured Shoulders, lb. 20c
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BEANS, Webster's Best Red, can.	12c	THICK SALT PORK, lb.	25c	PORK, for Beans, lb. 20c
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BACON, Sugar Cured, Smoked, lb.	30c	SLICED LIVER, lb.	7c	CHUCK ROAST, lb. 14c
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FRESH CALVES' PLUCKS, lb.	15c	Choice Cuts TENDER-LOIN STEAK, lb.	29c	Small Boiled Fancy Hams, to slice, lb.	37c
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DELICATESSEN	Nonpareil Cheese, pkg.	CRACKERS	Celery, bunch.
Cooked Ham, lb. 37c	15c	Creamer, Cakes, 12c	Lettuce, head.
Frankfurts, lb. 17c	12c	Pimento, Cheese, 12c	Kale, pk.
Pressed Ham, lb. 18c	12c	Chow, Churns, 10c	Beets, lb.
Minced Ham, lb. 18c	12c	Snappy Cheese, lb.	Horse Radish, 3c
Veal Loaf, lb. 28c	15c	Creme Cheesey, pkg.	Horseradish, 3c
Beef Loaf, lb. 22c	15c	Worcestershire, 10c	Onion, cabbage, 10c
Pork Sausage, lb. 12c	12c	Cheese Wafers, lb.	Carrots, 3 for 10c
H. C. Trine, lb. 10c	12c	Welsh Rarebit, 10c	Parsnips, 3 for 10c
Holstein Sausage, lb.	10c	Porkham, doz.	New Potatoes, 3 for 25c
Pressed Corned Beef, lb. 35c	15c	Roquefort, pkg.	Sweet Potatoes, 5c

BUTTER	Nonpareil Cheese, 7c	CRACKERS	White Turnips, 2 for 5c
Limburer Cheese, lb.	25c	Creamer, Cakes, 12c	Yellow Turnips, 2 for 5c
Y. A. Cheese, lb. 30c	25c	Pimento, Cheese, 12c	Onions, 2 for 5c
Cottage, 3 for 10c	12c	Chow, Churns, 10c	Carrots, 3 for 10c
Butter, doz.	15c	Snappy Cheese, 12c	Beets, 3 for 10c
Grapefruit, 3 for 10c	10c	Creme Cheesey, pkg.	Horse Radish, 3c
Eggs, lb.	25c	Worcestershire, 10c	Horseradish, 3c
Dates, pkg.	10c	Cheese Wafers, lb.	Onion, cabbage, 10c
Lemons, doz.	10c	Welsh Rarebit, 10c	Carrots, 3 for 10c

MILK	Legs, lb. 14 1/2c	Lamb	Leg and Loin, lb. 23c
FED	Steak, lb. 22c	Forequarters, lb.	17c
FANCY	Chops, lb. 14c	Chops, lb. 18c	

FANCY VERMONT TURKEYS, lb.	42c	LARGE SOFT ROAST-TING CHICKENS, lb.	33c	BEEF—HEAVY RUMP BUTTS, lb.	20c
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PORK BUTTS, lb.	21c	CHUCK ROAST BEEF, lb.	14c	THICK Heavy Salt SLICED HAM, lb.	25c
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Fresh Sliced Liver, lb.	7c	PORK, lb.	25c	RUM BUTTS, lb.	20c
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No. 3 Pail Compound Lard	79c	Sugar Cured Bacon, lb.	24c
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COCOA, Pure, Sweet, lb.	17c	Table Butterine, lb.	24c
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RICH OLD TASTY CHEESE, lb.	17c	COFFEE, Fresh Roast, lb.	17c
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Boneless Rolled RIBS, lb.	20c	CORNED SPARE BEEF, lb.	12 1/2c	FRESH PIGS' FEET, lb.	7c
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Roast Beef, lb.	19c	Brisket, Self-Raising Four, pkg.	12 1/2c
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15c Bottle Tomato Catsup, hot.	11c	PAUL HART PEAS, can.	13c
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TOMATOES, 15c cans	12c	EARLY JUNE PEAS, can.	13c
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SUGAR CORN, 15c cans	12c	o long and Japan Tea, lb.	31c
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PAUL HART PEAS, can.	13c	COMPOUND LARD, No. 3 Pail	70c
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Jap. Rose Transparent GLYCERINE SOAP, 6 Bars	25c
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WOOL SOAP, 6 Bars	25c
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SMOKED SUGAR CURED MEATS	
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ARMOUR'S Star Hams, lb.	33c
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Smoked Shoulders, lb.	22c-25c
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Danahy's Bacon, strip, lb.	39c
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John Morrell's Bacon, lb.	39c
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Home Cured, lean, lb.</td

PERSHING'S DISCIPLINE

Idah McGlone Gibson Talks Intimately of General Pershing—Says He Has No Favorites

The following story, having to do with Gen. Pershing, is another of a series by Mrs. Idah McGlone Gibson who has just returned from the war zone:

Christmas eve I sat in the officers' quarters of a Red Cross canteen over there. Of course the boys were homesick and things began to be rather blue.

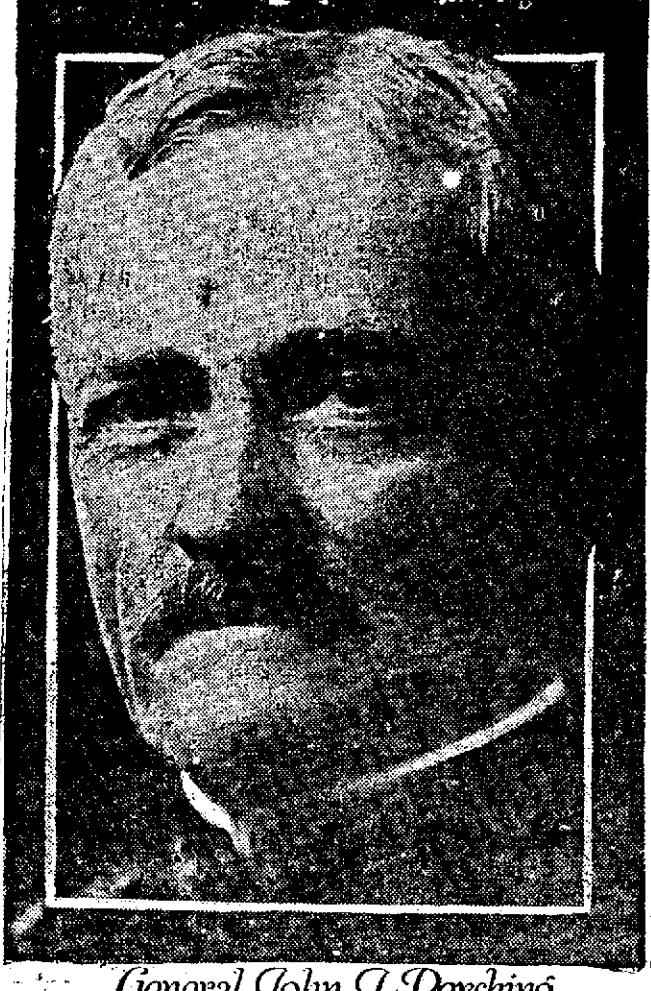
It isn't a good thing to be too sentimental with our soldier boys. It isn't good thing to write them very lonely letters and express your sympathy for their hard lot.

The boys do not have a hard lot in the training camps. They all put on flesh and are hardening up with outdoor life and truly they are a magni-

cause it was getting late and he was much afraid he would not get things straightened out properly that evening. Gen. Pershing sat busily writing, and a captain was stationed at the door through which the sergeant had to pass. Of course each time he passed the captain he had to salute, but getting more nervous and intent on his job, he neglected once to salute the captain.

This young captain knowing that Gen. Pershing is a stickler for discipline, thought he would make a ten-strike and he said, "Sergeant, you did not salute me."

"I beg your pardon, sir. I was so busy that I forgot," explained the sergeant. "So that you may not forget again,"



General John J. Pershing

cent looking set of fellows. They are said the captain, "I think you had better salute me 50 times."

The sergeant came to attention and in his snappiest manner he saluted 50 times, the captain solemnly counting.

"All right, sergeant, you may go." Gen. Pershing, who had apparently not noticed this little comedy, rose suddenly and said, "One moment, sergeant," and then addressing the captain asked, "Did the sergeant salute you 50 times, captain?"

"Yes, sir," said the captain, saluting the general. "Did you return the salute?" asked Gen. Pershing, as he punctiliously returned the captain's salute.

As I sat among these eight boyish officers on Christmas eve, I endeavored to think what I could say to them that would take their minds away from the home land.

Finally I brought the conversation around to Gen. Pershing, of whom a particular friend of his, Major Bill Reed, had told me a number of anecdotes the day before.

It seems that when Gen. Pershing was moving his headquarters from Paris to where it now is, a sergeant who does a great many things for him, was putting the furniture into his private office.

The man was somewhat fussed be-

cause he had to get the captain to do his bidding.

As I told this story to the boys in the canteen their eyes lighted up and one of them sprung to his feet with "Boys, that Black Jack, the man at whom commanding we'll go to hell and back." And with no scruples in intent and without respect to his commander-in-chief in his toast, he said: "Boys, Gen. Pershing."

Each one of those young Americans rose to his feet with a click of heels and repeated "Gen. Pershing" and I, being the only woman present, felt the tears running down my cheeks at their youthful enthusiasm amid American spirit.

IDAH McGLONE GIBSON.

SERIOUS DISORDERS

Attended the General Strike In Berlin In January

NEW YORK, March 22.—Serious disorder attended the general strike in Berlin during the last week of January and the first few days of Febru-

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ary, according to German newspapers of that period received here.

For a time the trolley car service

was interrupted in various parts of Berlin because the strikers had re-

peatedly cut the wires. Street car

conductors were abused—strikers throw-

ing stones at the women and putting

them from the cars. Traffic was

blocked by strikers at full speed. Meat stores

and bakeries were forced to close

without bread, bakers were forced to

supply bread without bread cuts.

The strike came as a surprise to the

leaders of the social democratic party,

said the Internationale Korrespondenz,

a socialistic organ, which stated that

the party leadership had not been con-

sulted regarding the strike. Later the

party leaders were requested by the

strikers to assume charge of the

strike, which they did in an endeavor

to end the strike as soon as possi-

ble and to see to it that the inter-

ests of labor were safeguarded.

The strike temporarily paralyzed all

war industries in Berlin and vicinity,

especially the airplane plants. The

Prussian Diet was also affected, as the

compositors and printers there also

joined the strike thus interfering con-

siderably with the proceedings owing

to the delay in the printing of bills

and other documents.

gest. New York city. The movement has been named the Liberty Livestock campaign.

The support and pledge of every farmer to raise one more pig, cow or sheep to maturity will be sought, and residents of suburban sections will be asked to purchase a carload of live stock to "board out" with a farmer who will be paid for their care and feed. Even the pledges of boys and girls will be sought through the "Pig Club."

Certificates will be distributed to all

participants and it is expected that as the campaign develops, silver

coins, suitably engraved, will be given to "Liberty Livestock" producers for the best animal raised in every state or group of states. Exhibits of the

pig as it progresses will be a principal feature of public fairs and farm meetings throughout the country in the course of the year.

Now comes the great opportunity for the American farmer patriotically to increase his live stock production,"

says F. C. Long, publisher of *The Agricultural Digest* and originator of the

Liberty Livestock plans. Mr. Long also

states, "At the same time a farmer

will legitimately increase his profit

and that this movement should result in

distributing stock in sections where

feed is plentiful, rather than scarce

and that it will prevent a great waste

of young stock now predicted on

the Texan ranches and in the northwest."

The active co-operation of the ad-

ministration of agriculture, the food ad-

ministration and many other national

agencies is being secured.

WHIST PARTY BY LOWELL HERD

BENEVOLENT ORDER OF
BUFFALOES

The third of a series of whist par-

ties under the auspices of the Lowell

Herd, Benevolent Order of Buffalo,

was held last night in Odd Fellows hall and

like its predecessors proved to be a

success. Eighteen tables were in op-

eration during the evening and after

the applause given was of a de-

serving nature. The program was var-

ied and each member of the organiza-

tion had an excellent opportunity to

display his or her individual ability.

Arthur Myers, tenor, rendered sev-

eral selections and had to respond to

several encores. Among the songs

which he presented were "Ballymire ballad," "Kitty, My Love" and "Eileen Alannah." Anna Eichorn, a talented

violinist, rendered with pleasing effect

the "Rondo Capriccioso," by Saint-

saens, the "Rigoletto" fantasia and for

an encore gave "A Fairy Tale."

Elsie Luker, pianist and accompanist, was heard in piano solos and her work as accompanist was of a meritorious order.

May Parker pleased with the

duo and gave several vocal selections

in a rich and clear soprano voice.

DRAFT OBJECTORS INTO ARMY

WASHINGTON, March 22.—President Wilson yesterday directed that conscientious objectors be drafted into the national army, and those who are unwilling to accept non-combatant service as provided in the draft law shall, in extreme cases, be confined in disciplinary barracks, but when they do not actually disobey a command shall be held for whatever disposition the secretary of war may make of their cases.

Each such objector is to be given the benefit of a full explanation of the law by a "factual and considerate officer," and so far as possible will be given the choice of a wide range of activities, including almost everything except actual fighting. In accordance with the president's order the secretary of war will revise sentences of courts-martial heretofore held of persons who come within the conscientious objectors' class, and judgments at variance with the order will be changed.

After April 1 and each month thereafter, division, camp and post commanders are to report to the secretary of war the names of all conscientious objectors, with a brief statement of the character of the objections of each one. Pending decision of the secretary of war, they will be segregated as much as possible in the camp, but will not be subjected to undue hardships. The executive order of the president does not set forth what action the secretary of war may finally take. It does state, however, that men who willfully disobey a command shall be court-martialed and may be confined.

Objectors who have no preference will be assigned to the medical corps, but they may serve in the quartermaster's department, all branches of which are considered non-combatant, in any engineer work in the United States, or in the rear of the zone of operations abroad. The last department includes work on auxiliary defences, wharves, docks, supply, depot services and activities requiring thousands of men.

Any man who is drafted but fails to report because of alleged conscientious scruples will be treated as a deserter.

SAYS WEST WILL RISE AGAINST I.W.W.

WASHINGTON, March 22.—Warnings that the people of the Pacific Northwest, tired of I.W.W. activities, may take the law into their own hands to suppress treasonable conduct, charges that the government itself has "codified" the leaders and predictions that sabotage and other hampering action to embarrass the government's aircraft program are likely to break out in the spring and summer featured the Senate debate yesterday on the administration bill to empower the government to commandeer timber and conduct logging operations.

The debate flared up so suddenly and lasted so long that time allotted for considering the bill was used up and Chairman Chamberlain of the military committee let it go over for action later.

Senators declared the government should act swiftly and drastically to meet what they characterized as a menace to the people. Senator Chamberlain declared it might be necessary to send troops into the spruce forests to protect workers getting out the precious timbers for the airplanes.

"The I.W.W. will not allow men to work in the forests," he said.

Senator Borah of Idaho declared the government could deal adequately with the I.W.W. without resort to force and by orderly lawful action.

Without mentioning the name of the I.W.W. leader to whom he referred, the Idaho Senator declared,

"The government now has in its possession the evil genius of the I.W.W., a professional criminal for 20 years, who has taken the lives of at least 15 men. The I.W.W. believe he leads a charmed life. The best thing to crush the I.W.W. would be to punish him on the evidence of his treason."

TO ASK PARDON FOR THOMAS J. MOONEY

SAN FRANCISCO, March 22.—Application for the pardon of Thomas J. Mooney is to be filed with Governor Stephens immediately after the state supreme court issues the remittit on its decision affirming Mooney's conviction and death sentence in connection with the preparedness day bomb explosion here in July, 1916. The remittit will be issued automatically on March 21, under the regular procedure.

Maxwell McNutt, counsel for Mooney, said today that the issuance of the remittit would close any possibility of re-opening the case in the courts and would leave the disposition of Mooney's fate entirely in the governor's hands.

FOR NAVAL AVIATION UNIT TO BE SENT FROM BOSTON TO IRELAND

BOSTON, March 22.—Opportunities for New England mechanics to enlist in a naval aviation unit to be sent from here for service in Ireland were given in a call for recruits made today by Chief Gunner McEwan at the navy yard. The unit will contain 450 men and the principal need now is for house carpenters, structural iron workers, boilermakers and bricklayers.

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That our safety razor stock may be completed in time, we have a standing order with the different manufacturers to ship us any new number immediately upon being ready for the market.

Every standard safety razor is here represented.—The GILLETTE in leather, khaki, silver, gold and nickel plated cases, \$5.00 up. This description also applies to the AUTO-STROP.

The EVER READY, \$1.00 to \$6.00; GEM, \$1.00 to \$10.00; DURHAM, STAR, ENDERS, KIRK, CUTTER, SEXTON-HAAS, PENN and others from 25c up.

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CENTRAL STREET

SAYS NEW ENGLAND WILL GET HARD COAL

SPRINGFIELD, March 22.—James J. Storrow, New England fuel administrator, speaking late yesterday afternoon before the New England Coal Dealers' association, brought word that the anthracite coal operators had promised to care for New England's needs first of all this summer. They owe this territory this consideration, he declared.

A marked increase in coal receipts has been noted since March 1, and this will be continued. His message to the dealers was to get their coal as early as possible, and he urged them to pass along the same word to every householder.

The outlook for bituminous coal supply for next winter, however, Mr. Storrow said, was poor; even worse than in the winter just passed. New England depends much upon water transportation, and the shipping board will make no promise to carriers. Only recently the navy department has commandedeer one tug and a collier, thereby measurably curtailing deliveries. In closing, Mr. Storrow praised the New England dealers for their co-operation during the winter.

Mr. Storrow stated that New England has far outgrown her railroads, and that the whole country is practically in the same condition. He also brought out the shortage of steamers and barges for the shipment of coal, stating that this condition is distressing and that it is constantly growing worse.

"We have been assured by the railway administration that the railroads will do their part in moving the coal we need to tidewater ports," he said. "But here comes the rub. So far, we have been totally unable to get the shipping board to undertake to furnish the shipping which New England absolutely must have unless it is to find its industries completely disorganized and disrupted next winter."

The shipping board has given us some ships, but they have taken many more than they have given New England."

Next year's convention will be in Worcester.

ANOTHER REPORT THAT KAISER SEEKS PEACE

LONDON, March 22.—Semi-official negotiations are on foot between Germany and the entente in which Germany is displaying a strong inclination for peace, the Catholic newspaper Nieuwsblad van Hetzeiden says it has learned, the Central News correspondent at Amsterdam reports.

The Amsterdam newspaper is quoted as adding that its information is that if no basis of official negotiations was reached by March 27, the German offensive in the west would be begun.

According to reports from Petrograd, dated Wednesday, a rumor is current at Moscow that Germany has offered important concession to the allies conditioned upon the recognition of the Brest Litovsk treaty of peace.

SOCIAL AND FRATERNAL

The regular meeting of Division 1, A.O.H., was held last night in Hibernian hall. President James O'Sullivan in the chair. John P. Sheehan was elected recording secretary to fill the vacancy caused by Brother Murphy, who is now in the service of the United States, leaving the city.

It is the purpose of this division to make it the largest in Middlesex county and with that idea in mind the following membership committee was appointed:

Brothers McMullin, Connally, Green, Sheehan, Fitzgerald, Downs, Murphy, O'Sullivan, Smith, Sheedy, J. P. Sheehan, John Morris, Stapleton, Sullivan and Jarrett.

The following delegates were appointed to attend the county board convention to be held in Woburn March 31: President O'Sullivan, Vice President Dr. Bagley, Secretaries John P. Sheehan and James J. Sheehan and Treasurer Michael Connally.

A committee consisting of 10 members was appointed to run a dance in the near future. Eight applications for membership were received and two new members admitted.

The coupon contest closed last night and the following were the lucky ones: First prize, suit of clothes given by the Richard Clothes shop, D. Collins, 80 Mt. Hope street; second prize, toilet set, Fred McMahon, Iowa street; third prize, umbrella, John Considine, 127 Blossom street; fourth prize, \$2.12 gold piece, John J. Cassidy, East Chelmsford.

SCHWAB GIVES \$25,000 TO K. OF C. WAR FUND

NEW YORK, March 22.—The Knights of Columbus had obtained a total of \$1,886,254 last night, the end of the fourth day of their campaign to raise \$2,500,000 in the archdiocese of New York for welfare work among American troops in the United States and abroad. In announcing the official total last night, leaders expressed confidence of passing their goal by March 25, when the drive ends.

A cable despatch from Secretary of War Baker, who is now inspecting the American expeditionary force in France, was read yesterday at a meeting of the committee.

"Magnitude of operations of the American expeditionary force increases constantly the importance of recreational facilities," Secretary Baker's message said. "More power to you in your war fund campaign in co-operation with the Y.M.C.A. and Red Cross." A contribution of \$25,000 from Chas. M. Schwab was reported yesterday.

PETERS DENIES HARVARD UNIT LOSS AT SEA

BOSTON, March 22.—Mayor Peters at a farewell dinner last night to a base hospital unit soon to leave the Boston City hospital for war service emphatically denied rumors which had been circulating here that one of the so-called Harvard units, including Boston physicians and nurses had been lost.

"There is not one atom of truth in that rumor," the mayor said, "and I think the citizens of this country should be informed as to the true state of affairs. The members of the unit are safe and sound somewhere abroad doing their work for humanity."

SIGNED BY PRES. WILSON

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We are told by the architects (of national reputation) who planned the Little Gray Shops, that no city the size of Lowell or very much larger, can boast of anything to compare.

For several years we have dreamed of a children's store that would rival New York, Chicago, and other large cities but we didn't have the room.

Now we have added the big building in the rear of our main store and the larger part of the second floor has been transformed into the Little Gray Shops.

The Gray Shops are a complete outfitting store for infants and children up to six and for girls up to fourteen. The idea is to save you the bother of walking around from place to place. So if you will come to Chalifoux's we will save you much time and many unnecessary steps.

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BLANKETS

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Our customers may have our assurance that the unusual style that has distinguished our other spring models applies to these suits.

"Different" is the word that expresses more about Chalifoux style than miles of description.

Basement Specials for Easter Shoppers

Prices are so low in our Basement on dependable qualities that we now designate our Specials by the term

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An excellent selection of WOMEN'S COATS. They are made in full enveloping style with deep cape collars, some have silk over-layers and novelty pockets, straight and two-piece belt. The cloth, Wool Poplin, all wool Delhi and Burrella. All the wanted shades of the season

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DRESSES, in the most correct and newest spring styles. Fabrics and colors, not one or two, but dozens and dozens of them. They are Crepe de chine Dresses, Taffeta Silk Dresses, Silk Poplin Dresses, Striped Messaline Dresses—all at one price

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A few High Grade FOULARD DRESSES, this Spring's newest designs. at

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Pantry Sets 59c

Hundreds visit our fifth floor housewares department on Saturday. Here's one of the inducements:

Three Covered Tin Canisters. Painted and japanned in cream white with blue lettering, one each for flour, coffee and tea. Saturday only. Set

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FIFTH FLOOR

25c Handkerchiefs

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These are good, all linen handkerchiefs (for women) and sell in most stores for 25c. We have been selling them for 19c (Chalifoux Value). About 25 dozen. They cannot be replaced at wholesale for anything like as low a price as tomorrow's. Not fancy handkerchiefs, but good and durable to carry around home. Half price Saturday—2 for 25c—at the Handkerchief Counter, Street Floor.

BUY A "SMILEAGE BOOK" FOR A SOLDIER

EX-SEN. WARNER MILLER OF NEW YORK DEAD

NEW YORK, March 22.—Warner Miller, who was United States senator from New York from 1881 to 1885, died in a hospital here yesterday, aged 79. Former Senator Miller was a republican and at one time a leading figure in national politics. He was a delegate to the national republican convention in 1872, a member of the New York state legislature in 1874 and 1875. He was elected to congress in 1879 and served two years, resigning to take his seat in the senate. At Herkimer, N.

Y. he had large paper manufacturing interests, but retired some time ago from active business.

Mr. Miller was born at Hannibal, N. Y. He graduated from Union college in 1850, was professor of Greek and Latin at St. Edward Collegiate institute in 1854 and 1855, then enlisted in the Fifth New York cavalry regiment and served under Gen. Sherman. He rose to the rank of Lieutenant and was taken prisoner at the battle of Winchester.

PARK BOARD CHAIRMAN SUGGESTS DRILL GROUNDS FOR HIGH SCHOOL PUPILS

From Chairman Thomas P. McKay of the park board comes the suggestion that the land owned by the city in Anne and Kirk streets, the site for the proposed high school, be converted into drill grounds for the pupils of the high school. Mr. McKay called on Commissioner Warnock of the public property last evening, and conferred with him on the advisability of such action. Mr. McKay thought it would not cost much to fill the gaps caused by the removal of buildings, and he said the land would be in great condition for drilling. At present the girls of the school drill in the basement of the building, while the boys conduct their drills on the street.

Commissioner Warnock agreed with Mr. McKay that the place would make an ideal one for a drill park, but he said there were some obstacles and some real ones. He said in order to convert the land into a drill park, it would be necessary to remove the steel which is now stored on the military authorities pointed out to the

premises, and that would mean expenditure of a large sum of money, for it would require a large force of men and derricks to do the work.

Twenty-two extra days for every man, woman, and child, 2,200,000,000 extra days for the hundred millions under the American flag.

Over two billion extra days for food-raising to help win the war. Daylight saving will not be popular with the Kaiser. But YOU'LL like it.

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Chalifoux CORNER

Chalifoux value is making this store the preferred shopping center of hosts.

Chalifoux profit is equitable—10 to 15 per cent lower than customary in the average store.

Third Floor Specials for Saturday and Monday

Hundreds of customers are now going to our Third Floor daily where dozens went before.

CURTAIN VALUES

Sash Curtains—600 pairs of serin, marquisette, muslin, and lace sash curtains at extraordinary savings for our customers. Values 25c, 35c, 40c and 50c. Special, pair 21c

\$2.50 Novelty Net Curtains—150 pairs of these neat curtains, made of novelty net with all-over patterns and finished with a neat edge, in white and ecru. Pair \$1.79

\$1.25 Lace Curtains—Made of good Egyptian yarn with large border patterns, others with all-over showy designs. Pair \$1.25

\$3.50 Marquisette Curtains—Choice of many designs of these well wearing curtains, some with neat hand-drawn borders with handmade edges, others with neat chintz insertions and edges, in white and ecru. Pair \$2.75

\$2.00 Muslin Curtains—Extra good quality muslin, with neat two-inch ruffle. Splendid chamber curtain. Pair \$1.49

20c and 25c Curtaining—Good quality serin with neat double bordered pattern, suitable for long or short curtains. Yard \$1.50

20c and 35c Madras—800 yards of this splendid wearing material, with neat all-over and border designs, in white and natural color. Yard \$1.25

65c and \$1.00 Tapestry Table Covers—These two warp tapestry table covers in sizes of 29 and 39 in., suitable for small tables, finished with a neat fringe. Each 25c and 50c

\$1.25 Drapery Madras—Choice of many pretty patterns—blue, rose, green and brown. Yard \$1.00

WASH GOODS

35c New Dress Voiles, in all the latest designs and colorings, also plain colors—all the new shades in a numerous variety. 35 inches wide. Per yard \$1.25

45c to 55c Gingham Plaid Voiles, in a splendid range of combination colorings, also plain shades. 35 to 45 inches wide. Per yard \$1.25

\$1.25 Silk and Cotton fabrics, in a good assortment of plaids and stripes, 36 inches wide. Per yard \$1.25

45c Lino Suiting, a very serviceable material, in white, tan, green and brown. 35 inches wide. Per yard \$1.25

20c to 35c Dress Ginghams, in checks, plaids and stripes, splendid assortment of colors, 27 to 32 inches wide. Per yard \$1.25

25c to 35c Pattern Table Cloths, pure bleached, fine finish, half dozen of napkins to match. Per set \$1.98

\$3.00 Hemstitched Drawn-work Lunch Cloths, some with embroidery, and insertion in center. Size 48 inches square. Each \$1.98

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PILLOW CASES

\$1.00 to \$1.25 Hemstitched Embroidered Pillow Cases with initials, also a limited number of Day Slips; your choice while they last, per pair \$1.25



Almost Like Buying Boys' Easter Suits At Half Price

Lowell, Friday March 22, 1918



OUR alert foresightedness, gigantic distribution and advance preparations have enabled us to give you greater money's worth in shoes of distinction than ever. Why pay \$6 and \$7 when you can get all the satisfaction in the world here for \$3.50 and \$5.00?

These are two of the smart styles you'll see on best dressed men Easter Sunday. They are very beautiful and stylish. See them tomorrow.

Newark Shoe Stores Co.

5 Central Street, Near Merrimack Street
Open Monday and Saturday Nights Till 10.00

257 Stores in 97 Cities.

EVERY BOY CAN RAISE A PIG OR TWO

Boys should be encouraged to build pens and feeder troughs in a workmanlike manner and to create all posts and wood which is subject to constant wetting.

For several years the boys' and girls' clubs have been giving a great deal of attention to hog raising in every state. The Smith-Lever fund which has been appropriated by congress has enabled the thorough organization of boys' and girls' club work everywhere.

A state leader, who is paid partly by the government and partly by the agricultural colleges, is now at work in every state organizing clubs under the supervision of local club leaders. Many plans have been adopted and the bankers and public-spirited citizens everywhere have become interested in supplying capital in order to give these boys a start. These clubs sometimes include the raising of only one pig in competition with 30 or 40 other

boys in the neighborhood. One of the best plans which has been introduced is the supplying of bred sows to the boys who give their note to the local banker and the animals are selected through the club leaders with the assistance of the best swine men in the vicinity.

One of the contracts which the boys make with the banks is that they will return one or two of the little pigs from the litter in payment of the note which is due generally in one year.

Feeding for Success

The question of feeding is one of the most important items. The American Feed Manufacturers' Association has, through its members, offered to give full information and to make special arrangements through local dealers whereby boys can get their entire supply of feed in case of a feed shortage at home. This enables a good many boys in suburban towns and in places where feed is difficult to obtain to be sure of their supply.

The Bankers' association of the various states, through their agricultural committees, are also interested in giving the boys a start.

The National Lumber Manufacturers' association is co-operating in fur-

nishing detailed plans for hog-houses, earthing pens and feeding devices.

A Clever Self Feeder

One of the ways for feeding little pigs is to place the feed in the self-feeding box, and in order to keep the older pigs from "hogging" the little pigs' rations, a fence is constructed about the feeder, the lower board of which is placed low enough for the little pigs to go under while keeping out the older pigs.

"Dirty as a pig" is wrong. Pigs love to be clean and will grow much faster if their pens and houses are cleaned frequently and disinfected with a solution of one pint of formaldehyde to two gallons of water.

The State Lumber associations are asking the retail lumber dealers to furnish a bill of materials which will enable the boys to build without waste. All of the work can be done by school boys, and they will take great delight in raising a family of pigs, and the local rivalry among the club members is intense.

Perhaps no other plan has ever been introduced which does so much to keep the boys interested in farm operations. As a rule, the boy member of the pig club learns to beat his father raising pigs because of his work under the scientific direction of his leader, and while this offers a great hope for the future, it also teaches father a lot of practical things about pigs which he never would have learned had the boy not blazed the trail.

DEMAND FOR COAL CARDS DROPPING OFF—MORE COAL RECEIVED TODAY

The priority cards which the local fuel committee has been issuing to Lowell people who are out of coal for the past few months are gradually dropping out more slowly. One day last winter a total of 527 cards were given out. Yesterday only 43 were distributed. Spring, warm weather and a watchful waiting policy in regard to the settlement of the price of coal are attributed as the reasons for the dropping off.

Eleven cars of hard coal and 17 of soft, totalling 150 tons, was today's shipment to Lowell.

CHICKENS QUICKEST AND MOST POPULAR MEAT

Every family should raise its own chickens. There is enough waste in the ordinary family to keep a large enough flock to supply the family with eggs. If you want to go into the chicken business, it might be well to start an incubator right away, but for the beginner and for the old hand, too, the baby chick proposition is the most attractive.

Hatching eggs, while no mystery, is one of the things that requires practice to obtain the best results, and while eggs subjected to extremes of heat and cold may hatch, the chicks are liable to be weakened and crippled, and subject to all sorts of trouble. Therefore, if you have not the facilities, it is probably best to buy baby chicks from the hatcheries because they are alive and ready for business and save at least three weeks in getting started. Give them a trial and order a shipment of the breed you favor, or get a few dozen for the children to have for their own, they will take mighty good care of them.

The poultry clubs which are organized in every state are undertaking the work under the direction of the local leaders, who in turn are supervised by the state leader of boys' and girls' club work under the auspices of the state university and the United States department of agriculture. In some states there is a boys' and girls' club organ-

ization which is not under the direction of the state leader.

If this country goes dry, what will become of the champion prize fighters who are defeated? He won't be able to open a saloon.

If you want to reach the people who spend their money in Lowell, advertise in The Sun, Lowell's greatest newspaper.

EASTER Sale

—ON—
NEW
SPRING
SUITS
COATS
DRESSES
SKIRTS
ETC.

SUITS at \$12.98, \$15, \$18.50, \$22.50
AND UP

COATS at \$8.98, \$12.98, \$15, \$18.50
AND UP

DRESSES at \$7.98, \$9.98, \$12.50, \$14.75
AND UP

SKIRTS at \$3.98, \$5.00, \$6.50, \$7.50
AND UP

Over 2500 New Garments to choose from, at a saving of from \$5.00 to \$10.00 what you will be asked elsewhere.

We cordially invite our friends and the public in general to call and look over our goods, price them, try them on, whether you buy or not. It is to your advantage to trade at

LEMKIN'S CLOAK & SUIT STORE

Where High Prices Are Not Known
228 MERRIMACK STREET OPP. ST. ANNE'S CHURCH
SALES LADIES WANTED

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THE STORE FOR THRIFTY PEOPLE

1000 EASTER WAISTS
ONLY \$3.98 EACH

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ALL

PERFECT

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1000 Clean, Crisp, New WAISTS

AT ABOUT HALF THEIR ACTUAL VALUE



These waists are all perfect and have just been unpacked. Waists of Georgette Crepe, in light and dark colorings, plain and embroidered fronts. A big variety of styles to choose from in all colors. A new Easter Waist for about half.



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\$3.98 Each

NO MEMOS—NO TELEPHONE ORDERS AND NO EXCHANGES

SEE WINDOW DISPLAY



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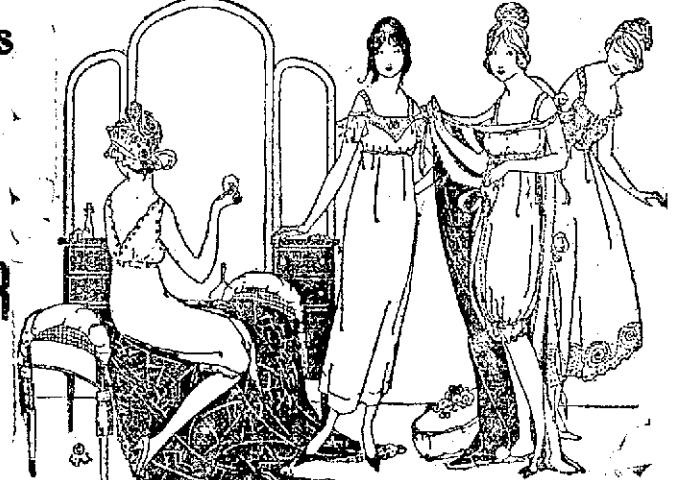
New Waist Dept., 2nd Floor

New Buyer's

Sale of

MUSLIN
UNDERWEAR

SALE NOW ON



This department has been taken over this past week by a new buyer, and in going over the stock has found hosts of desirable patterns in dainty lingerie. These goods have not been stored away for years. They are all up-to-date styles, and as for prices—well look for yourself at the items below and then decide.

CREPE DE CHINE ENVELOPE CHEMISE, flesh and white. Reg. price \$2.50 and \$3.50, slightly soiled. Specially priced at \$1.50 Ea.

STRAIGHT CHEMISE, trimmed prettily with valenciennes, duchess lace and Swiss embroidery. Reg. price 75c, \$1.00, \$1.50. Specially priced at \$0.50, 75c and 98c Each

MARCELLA COMBINATIONS. Reg. \$1.00, \$1.50, \$1.98 value. Plisse trimmed with torchon lace, others of fine nainsook and long cloth, lace and embroidery trimmed. Specially priced \$0.50, 75c, 98c Each

MARCELLA DRAWERS, hamburg and lace trimmed. Reg. price 75c and \$1.00. Specially priced at \$0.50 Each

CORSET COVERS, some trimmed with hamburg, others plain. Reg. price 25c and 50c. Specially priced at 10c and 19c Each

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CAMISOLE, flesh and white crepe de chine. Reg. \$1.00. Specially priced at 69c Each

CAMISOLE, in flesh batiste. Reg. price 75c. Specially priced at 39c Each

BOUDOIR CAPS of silk muslin, in pink and blue. Reg. price 25c and 39c. Specially priced at 10c Each

BOUDOIR CAPS of organdie and net. Reg. price 25c and 39c. Specially priced at 10c Each

BOUDOIR CAPS. Reg. price 75c and \$1.00. Specially priced at 25c Each

TODAY IS THE TIME TO PURCHASE SUMMER UNDERMUSLINS AT REDUCED PRICES.

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Store Order Check System

THE MODERN CREDIT



Service at the Big Department Stores, Women's Apparel Shops, Millinery, Boot and Shoe Stores and Lowell's Best Cash Stores.

FOR \$1.00 A WEEK

Checks Accepted as Cash at All the Big Dept. and Cash Stores

Our Store Order Checks increase the Purchasing Power of the dollar for Credit buyers. Our customers buy everything and anything at the very lowest cash prices and get more for their money than do credit buyers who do not avail themselves of our Store Order Check System of buying.

Under our plan you buy as a cash customer, whenever or wherever you like, and offer in payment our checks which are the same as cash, and pay us \$1.00 a week.

Remember that all business with us is strictly confidential. The clerks who sell you the goods, know nothing of your transaction with us, as all our business is transacted with the offices of the different stores, assuring you of the utmost privacy.

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45 MERRIMACK ST., 202 HILDRETH BLDG.

Up One Flight at Head of Stairs
Open Monday, Friday and Saturday Evenings

REPLIES TO SEN. LODGE

Sen. Jones Defends Hoover and Garfield — Not to Blame for Sugar and Coal Shortage

WASHINGTON, March 22.—Speaking in defense of the food and fuel administration in the senate today, Senator Jones of New Mexico exonerated both of blame for the recent sugar and coal shortage. He declared their price-fixing policies had saved the country from "chaos and confusion."

Senator Jones, who was a member of the manufacturers' sub-committee which investigated the sugar and coal shortage, spoke in reply to Senator Lodge of Massachusetts, who recently denounced price-fixing as a failure, blamed the fuel scarcity on Administrator Garfield and asserted that the sugar shortage was largely artificial.

"Let these organizations alone," urged Senator Jones, "if they need more power give it. Don't badger or heckle them. On the other hand, help and encourage them. Let us not say to the world that the affairs of our government at this time are in incompetent hands. To the contrary let us tell the truth and say to the world that the resources of this country are being successfully, mobilized for the purposes of the war."

Recent Lodge's Criticism

Senator Jones resented the Massachusetts senator's criticism of the fuel administration as being a "bureau largely composed of amateurs." He declared the fuel and food administrators were both well qualified, and, with the organizations they had created, were serving the country solely for patriotic reasons.

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PERMITS FOR EXPORT OF COAL TO CANADA

WASHINGTON, March 22.—Permits for the months of April, May and June have been issued by the fuel administration to a large number of coal operators for export of coal to Canada.

C. A. McIver, fuel controller for Canada, has been given the privilege of calling upon the fuel administration to issue permits to any shippers who may apply to him.

The administration's announcement says the allotment of coal to Canada during the last season were upon the same basis as if Canada were one of the states of the Union. In return, Canada furnishes coal to this country. Much of the product that is used in the northwestern parts of the United States comes from the mines of British Columbia.

BEAUTIFUL DISPLAY OF SPRING GARMENTS IN THE CHALIFOUX STORE

Leon D. Towns, head window dresser for the J. L. Chalifoux Co., has achieved a real triumph in his latest efforts in the Merrimack street windows of the Chalifoux store. Not only has he triumphed as a skilled workman in his chosen profession, but he has gone beyond the more or less measured boundaries of window display work and has entered the realm of real art.

The company has devoted its entire Merrimack street window space to a showing of spring garments. Most Lowe's people have an approximate idea of how much space this occupies but in the entire length of window Mr. Towns has placed less than a dozen models. The over-crowded, jumbled effect which many store windows affect and thereby depress the onlooker is wholly lacking in Mr. Towns' efforts.

The refreshing, happy element which the advent of spring always brings seems truthfully interpreted in the panoramic array which Mr. Towns has arranged. A background of garlands, fountains and allied surroundings extends from one end of the building to the other and a predominating tone of light colors, blue especially, gives a touch of winsomeness and daintiness symbolic of the spring season. Overhead is a continued bower of flowers and plants and about a foot from the floor is a line of white window boxes, ornate with tulips and other attractive flowers of the spring season. The floor is designed in alternating squares of white and green.

Here and there in wholly natural positions are pleasant-faced "ladies" who display the season's latest and newest gowns and suits and their clothes seem to fit in merely as a part of the harmoniously artistic window. At the Merrimack square end of the building the children's department is "shown off" to a good advantage and at either end of the long panorama are softly comfortable looking draperies which seem to finish off the scene in an effective manner.

CIVIL SERVICE EXAM POSTPONED—INDUSTRIAL ACCIDENT BOARD BEARINGS

City Messenger Owen A. Monahan was this morning notified by the chief examiner of the civil service commission to the effect that the examination for sewer superintendent which was scheduled to be held at city hall this morning had been postponed. It is probable that the examination will be held March 28.

Mr. Monahan was also requested to place the aldermanic chamber at the disposal of Mr. Boyle of the industrial accident board for March 29 on which date two hearings will be held under the workmen's compensation act. The first hearing will be held at 10 a. m. and will be in the case of Salvatore Amico, employee and Alex Kogios, employer. The other will be conducted at 11:30 a. m. and will be in the case of John Donohue, employee; Lowell Perfitter Co., employer, and the Security Mutual Casualty Co., insurer.

If you want quick returns try a classified ad in *The Sun*, Lowell's greatest newspaper.

CAMP DEVENS MAN WILL ADDRESS PATRIOTIC MEETING AT ASSOCIATE HALL

Lieut. Joseph H. Twitchell of Camp Devens has been secured to address the patriotic meeting to be held in Associate hall, Sunday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock, in honor of the young men who have been accepted in the second draft and are ready for service in the United States army. The speaker has a very important message to deliver to the young men, their mothers and relatives, and those who would like to know just about

what the soldiers will have to undergo, etc., should not fail to be present.

Lieut. Twitchell is an able speaker and people who are laboring under misapprehension as to what is expected of the soldiers, etc., will learn something to their advantage.

The meeting will also be addressed by Mayor Thompson, representative of the YMCA, and Knights of Columbus, and Dr. A. L. Gagnon of the public safety committee.

Before taking your train home from Boston get *The Sun* at either newsstand in the North station.

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AND THEIR VALUE IN THE DIET LINE

1888, cuts, and there is no odor and smoke in the kitchen.
6. By failing to serve only as much butter at a meal as will be eaten.
7. By failing to use some butter substitute in place of butter in cooking.
8. By failing to use top milk, condensed milk or evaporated milk in place of cream whenever possible especially in coffee and tea.
9. By failing to buy olive oil or its substitutes in large quantities; a small bottle is expensive.
10. By failing to make soap from the fats that cannot be utilized any longer for cooking purposes or as a butter.
Some people hesitate to use oleomargarine and butter substitutes because they do not realize that they are healthful and nutritious and are much better than a poor grade of butter.
Oleomargarine
Oleomargarine or butterine is made by churning together with milk a combination of vegetable and animal fats similar in properties to natural butter. The fats most often used are soft beef fats, neutral lard, cottonseed oil, coconut fat and peanut oil. Neutral lard is lard that has been purified and freed from animal flavors. These fats are mixed with varying amounts of butter according to the grade of oleomargarine to give the butter flavor. In high grade oleomargarine a large amount of butter is mixed with the artificial product so that it has a very agreeable taste and flavor similar to that of butter. In the cheaper grade of oleomargarine is not noticeable when it is used for cooking purposes. Oleomargarine has the same calorific value, at a lower cost than butter and should be more largely used.

The importance of fat in the diet cannot be overestimated. It does not add up muscular tissues, but yields heat and energy. It is almost a pure fuel furnishing the body with two and one-fourth times as much energy as an equal amount of carbohydrate, in fact yielding weight for weight more energy than any other food. Fat is not only of value as an energy yielding food but has special nutritive value as a flavor food, making other foods more appetizing and palatable. It also exerts good influence on digestive processes by stimulating the flow of the bile and the pancreatic juices. This helps in the digestion of the other foods and in the elimination of waste products.

Although the carbohydrates also furnish heat and energy to the body, they cannot entirely replace the fat and endangers the health of the individual. Sufficient fat is especially necessary in the diet of children and young people, and is most useful as a source of energy when carbohydrate foods must be limited as in cases of diabetes.

Many housekeepers are extravagant and very wasteful in their use of fat. They throw away drippings and fat scraps, without the thought that these drops saved daily will soon form a pound. They pride themselves on using butter in cooking instead of being proud to use a substitute. Do not waste fat in any of the following ways:

1. By failing to get from the butcher all the trimmings for which you have paid. The butcher does not waste these, they are saved and sold again for soap. Much good fat from meat and chicken is wasted in this way.

2. By failing to cook fat which is to be served with meat until it is crisp and appetizing that it will not be wasted on the plate.

3. By failing to trim excess fat from the meat before it is cooked, and trying it out separately. Do not serve more fat with the meat than will be eaten.

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PACIFIST PREACHER GETS 15 YEAR SENTENCE

BURLINGTON, Vt., March 22.—Rev. Clarence H. Waldron, pacifist preacher, who was convicted in the federal court here Tuesday night of disloyal utterances and of attempting to obstruct the operation of the draft, yesterday was given a 15-year sentence in the federal penitentiary at Atlanta. A motion by counsel for a stay of execution was denied by Federal Judge Howe, who, however, in imposing sentence, announced that the motion might be presented later.

Waldron stood up and heard the pronouncement of sentence without visible emotion. A group of Pentecostals with which sect Waldron had been associated since his retirement from the Baptist church at Windsor because of the congregation's opposition to his sermons and speeches, occupied front seats in the court room when the defendant was brought in for sentence. While waiting for the jury to report Tuesday night these friends of the accused spent their time in prayer.

Two months ago a jury at Brattleboro failed to agree after 24 hours. At both trials Waldron made vehement denials of the charges, although a score of witnesses produced by the government testified that he had refused the use of the Baptist church at Windsor for patriotic meetings that he had spoken against the Liberty loan, and had advised young men to resist the draft even to the point of facing a sunrise firing squad.

PRES. WILSON TO GET FRENCH PAINTING

NEW YORK, March 22.—"On Guard for Liberty" one of the collection of new war paintings brought over from France for exhibition in this city is to be presented to President Wilson as a gift from the French government. The picture was done by J. Berne Belcourt, the French painter, and shows in the foreground a poll standing guard over the prostrate Prussian eagle, while the American army ad-



What a pity she doesn't know that Resinol Soap would clear her skin

SAVING ON JUNK IS A BILLION A YEAR

NEW YORK, March 22.—Uncle Sam is taking a leaf from the book of experience of Germany and is saving all of the junk that used to be wasted. Speakers at the annual meeting of the National Waste Material Dealers at the Hotel Astor said that the reclamation was worth \$1,000,000,000 a year.

One firm, handling old metals alone, it was stated, did a business of \$43,000 a year. These big figures, to those who used to him "Got any rags, any bottles, any bones today?" were surprising enough, but the fact that the government is going into the junk business on a big scale came along as a new thing in convention tidings.

Louis Berkman, the retiring president of the organization, is going to Washington to work with the bureau of reclamation.

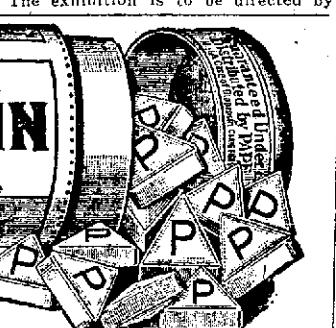
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MUSICAL TREAT AT THE STATE NORMAL SCHOOL

The music department of the State Normal school sponsored another musical treat for the Lowell public yesterday afternoon when three gifted artists appeared at the assembly hall of the school and gave an hour and a half of real pleasure to a large audience. Carl Webster, cellist; Carl Lamson, pianist, and Mme. Carl Sapin, contralto, gave the recital. Mme. Sapin was possessed of youth and she allowed this quality to mingle generously in her various infections. Her trial of winsome numbers, the second of the program, was particularly dainty and

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CONSERVATION OF HEALTH AN IMPORTANT DUTY NOW

CARE IN THE DIET SAVES BOTH FOOD AND HEALTH

Preventive Medication Such as the Use of a Tonic to Keep the Blood Built Up and Prevent the Nerves from Being Undernourished Is Suggested by These Letters

Nature is always fighting to keep us well. Under normal conditions the forces of health within our bodies keep the disease germs in subjection. They are not expelled entirely but they are kept harmless.

Some indiscretion in diet and the digestion is upset; overwork or worry perhaps disturbs the nervous system, the blood gets thin and the ever-present disease germs assert themselves. The blood fights the body's battles. Whenever a wound is received, whether there is congestion or inflammation, to that point the blood quickly carries the element needed for repair—if it has them. But when the blood is thin and watery, it lacks these elements.

The association elected E. Salomon of 149 Nassau street president for the ensuing year. He said that he would do all he could to speed up the reclamation work, even in the country and on the farms. He wanted to cooperate with the quartermaster corps of the army in searching for everything that possibly might go to waste, and suggested that iron might be collected in all sections, with the aid of the railroads.

The association had its banquet at the Astor last night. E. J. Cattell of Philadelphia, Capt. A. P. Simmonds, U.S.A., of the Liberty loan committee and Thomas D. Cortin, who spent some time on the west front, were the principal speakers.

Notwithstanding our meatless days most people who are troubled with flatulence eat more meat than is good for them. Flatulence is wind on the stomach. Excessive meat eating or defective nerve force is responsible in most cases.

Cutting down the amount of meat in your diet and taking a course of treatment with Dr. Williams' Pink Pills to strengthen the weak nerves that control the digestive processes is well worth trying if you have wind on the stomach, sour risings in the throat, a feeling of weakness in the stomach and palpitation of the heart.

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THE TRUTH ABOUT THE WAR

Senator Lodge and a great many other republicans while speaking for political effect are shouting from the house tops the slogan, "Tell the people the truth about the war," just as if there was some great conspiracy in operation to withhold the truth from the people or to tell them lies instead. "We have enough telling what we are going to do. What we want to know is, what we have done. Tell the American people the truth." That is another fib at the administration by our senior senator.

When Secretary Baker told the truth to the military committee of the senate, that august body refused to believe him either as to what he had done or what he would do in the near future. Senator Lodge is a member of that committee and one of the doubting Thomases. The question of veracity is still in the air; but every day brings new evidence to prove that Baker was right and Lodge, Chamberlain, Hitchcock, Reed and Co. were wrong. "Do not keep from the American people what the enemy already knows," says Mr. Lodge.

That piece of advice is based upon an assumption that is doubly false. In the first place he does not know that anything is being kept from the people that can be safely given out; and secondly, he does not know to what extent the enemy knows just what we are doing in the war.

The military committee by its examination of the war officials in public forced them to lay bare to Germany just what our aims and our plans are, what we expect to accomplish and in what way.

That, according to Senator Lodge, is the way to win the war. To any thinking man it will be recognized as the kind of information that Germany pays lavishly to secure.

It is a well known fact that the American newspapers give more war news than do those of either France or England; but no matter how much they give, the politicians who want to pander to the public and turn sentiment against the government, keep on charging that the news is being held back. There is no foundation for any statement that the war office or the information bureau withholds any news of the war that would keep the people in doubt as to the actual situation or that would leave the public to indulge in mere guess work.

A certain rattle-brained clergyman from Attleboro the other night while making outrageous attacks upon the officials who are directing the war, said, "the peasants of Germany know more of what is going on in the war than do the people of the United States."

Unless the speaker is an indurated ass he must know that the peasants of Germany since the beginning of the war have been fed upon a palladium of lies which wholly concealed the facts and led them to believe the most absurd fabrications, in order to keep up their morale in the war. It is more charitable to assume that the man who charges that a similar policy is in force here, is an ignoramus than that he is a wilful prevaricator inspired chiefly with the desire of appearing radical and original while being but silly, vain and wildly erratic. Yet in thus spreading broadcast the seeds of opposition to the men who bear the responsibility in this war, they claim to be serving their country and the cause of freedom. So do the anarchists when they blow up munition factories and assassinate government officials.

THE SUFFRAGE FIGHT

The opponents of woman suffrage are fighting vigorously against the adoption of the Susan B. Anthony amendment to the constitution granting women the right to vote on equal terms with men. The fight now centers on the United States senate, the suffragists using all their efforts to have the senators concur with the house and the "antis" are just as actively working for the defeat of the amendment. The opposition dwells strongly upon the attitude of Cardinal Gibbons in reference to woman suffrage. The cardinal has the respect of all classes on account of his sterling Americanism, but on the question of woman suffrage he has been as firm as a rock in his opposition. He is quoted in the Woman's Protest as having made the following statement in a letter of recent date declining to attend a public meeting in opposition:

"I cannot, however, allow the opportunity to pass without repeating what I have said on occasions without number that I am unalterably opposed to woman suffrage."

"Many social and political evils, I am convinced, would follow, not the least of which would be the lowering of the dignity of woman, queen in the social kingdom."

The cardinal, however, has never attempted to force his views upon his flock and there are other Catholic clergymen just as strongly in favor of suffrage. Yet the attitude of Cardinal Gibbons on any such public issue carries great weight with thousands of people all over this country.

THE SUBMARINE LOSSES

The first lord of the British admiralty has made a clean breast of the sinking of British ships by the submarines. The total for the past year reached 6,000,000 tons, while German authorities claim the total was 9,500,000 tons, but Germany does not know

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BLACK JACK

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AT IT AGAIN

Roosevelt says that our force in Europe is not as yet as important a military factor as is the army of Belgium, or Portugal, or Serbia.

The fact is, Mr. Roosevelt doesn't know the size of our force in Europe, by, perhaps, 100,000 men, doesn't know what the armies of Belgium, or Portugal, or Serbia are, or what they amount to as military factors. But he is writing, for so much per word, for a western newspaper, and he has to say something that sounds important.

Mr. Roosevelt is to be pitied. His status as an authority on the war is pitiful; and, in his time, he has written many very interesting things. He is out of touch with the war situation.

SEEN AND HEARD

Not what a man gives but the way he gives it, shows his true character.

The honor of seeing the first spring robin, so far as we can ascertain, goes to a Lexington woman.

This happened in the Dutch room of a local hostelry. A stranger blew in and, after meeting "the company," introduced the fishing question suggested, perhaps, by the fact that he had ordered fish. He told some wonderful

fish stories and, to be honest about it, some of them sounded decidedly "fishy." Martin Conway was one of the party. Now, while Martin's friends knew that he had been "round a bit," they did not know he had ever been on a fishing excursion in South America—not until he reeled off the following tale: "In my entire piscatorial experience," he said, "I never came across a fish so accommodating as the shovel fish of South America. It has a snout the shape of a shovel and it will jump on the bank and dig bait for you to catch it with."

The stranger didn't tell any more fish stories.

Planted Not Guilty

An old negro went to the office of the commissioner of registration in a Missouri town and applied for registration papers.

"What is your name?" asked the official.

"George Washington," was the reply.

"Well, George, are you the man who cut down the cherry tree?"

"No, suh, I ain't de man. I ain't done no work for nigh onto a year!"—Everybody's Magazine.

Ground For Exemption

The teacher was giving the school a little lecture on good conduct.

"Avoid criticizing," she said. "Don't make a practice of finding fault with other people, or picking flaws in what they say or do."

"Teacher," spoke up a little boy, "that's the way my father makes his living."

"You surprise me, Frank! What is

your father's occupation?"

"He's a proofreader, ma'am."

The teacher coughed.

"Mother, shall I extinguish the light?" he asked his mother the first night.

"Well, Frank," she replied, "I make an exception in the case of your father."

"Why, now, what do you mean?" she asked.

"That means, shall I put the light out?" he said.

"Oh, surely, my son."

The next morning he asked: "Mother, may I read you a narrative?"

"Why, what does that mean?" asked the mother.

"Simply that I would like to read you a short tale," answered Melvin.

"Surely, read it," answered the mother.

That night at a reception, a dog ran into the room and the good mother said: "Melvin, please catch the dog by the narrative and extinguish him."—Rehoboth Sunday Herald.

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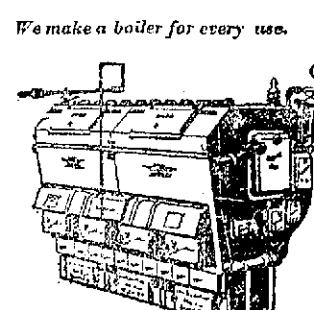
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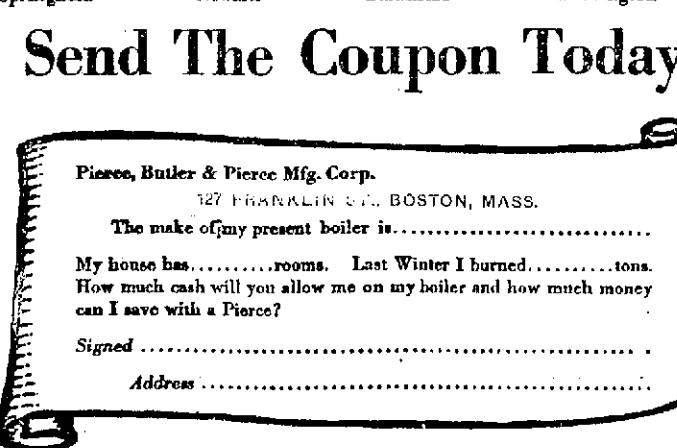
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WOMEN ARE BOOSTING IT

You Cannot Fool the Women

Once you have shown them and got their confidence they will stick through thick and thin to what they know and believe is a good thing.

Hundreds of women in our city are going around today with joy in their hearts and a new lease on life and health where before, each day was one long "nervous drag of misery."

As one woman expressed it, "It's not the work you do, it's the way you feel that makes the drudgery, you cannot get ahead when you go to bed all in, too tired to sleep and get up in the morning half dead. Believe me, I know, I certainly was a nervous wreck, every task a load, no ambition, thin, haggard and pale, an old woman before my time. Look at me now, some change, eh! Work is a pleasure, I am just bubbling over with life and good spirits, the picture of health, cheeks rosy and full of the color that only ironized blood can give, while my phosphorus-fed nerves are as steady as a clock, nothing worries me, I sleep like a top and feel like a girl of sixteen. Take it from me, I want Phosphated Iron to get credit for everything; too much cannot be said in its praise, it sure is the goods and everyone I have recommended it to is a booster."

This is only one of many like cases in our city, there is no need of any man or woman going around with that tired, all-in feeling or any form of nervousness, if they will get next to themselves, take a brace, and stick up to a package of Phosphated Iron, it sure will spruce you up and make you feel like a live wire once more, so get busy.

To insure physicians and their patients getting the genuine Phosphated Iron we have put in capsules only. Do not take pills or tablets, insist on capsules. Fred Williams, 189 Central St., Lowell Pharmacy, 632 Merrimack St., and leading druggists everywhere.

In September, 1912, the New York Herald conducted a poetry contest. It lasted four weeks, and at the end of that time the judges looked over the hundreds of manuscripts sent in from all parts of the United States. Then

LOWELL'S FIRST ELEVATOR
GIRLS ON THE JOB

Been in Chaffoux's lately? No! Well, get busy; you're missing one of the joys of life—and an innovation in the joy line for Lowell.

Of course you know about the elevators in Chaffoux's; the big, roomy, rapid cars which glide up and down the building as smoothly as a—well, say as a breath of spring.

When one steps into the elevator now preparatory to rising to heights of sublimity or even to merely the third floor he is greeted by a smiling young lady—not a diffusively smiling young lady—but one who seems really glad to have you step in her "car." She gazes at you steadily with eyes that—well, they're awfully pleasant eyes—and you gaze back if you're not too bashful and you wonder why she has picked you out as the fortunate recipient of her delightfulness. When suddenly you realize that she isn't looking and smiling at you merely for the fun of it. Nay, nay; her purpose is a most prosaic one. Her smile and gaze are meant to convey to you only one impression: "What floor do you want?"

Bang! She might forget about floors and things for a while, you think. With all the excitement of the occasion you have quite forgotten just what floor you do want and likely as not you probably blurt out: "Give us three or four, please." But she doesn't come back overbearingly with "Freshie" as some young ladies are accustomed to do under similar circumstances. She merely assumes a more business-like-than-ever air and you finally remember that you want to go to the top floor. Of course, why shouldn't everybody go to the top floor? It would be disrespectful to leave such a delightful young lady before the journey had been completed. And when you finally reach the height desired and friend young lady announces "Top floor," then you wish as you have never wished before, that you were in the Woolworth building or some similar lofty structure, and you wish that fast elevators had never been invented, so that you might be in the young lady's company just a little longer.

Now will you go to Chaffoux's? Owning to war conditions, the male operators have been displaced and two charming young ladies have taken their places. Miss Lillian St. Ongé assumed her duties about a month ago and she is now handling her car with the skill and nonchalance of a veteran. A few days ago a second young lady took up her duties—we mean took up and down—and her name is Miss Anonymous as far as we can find out. She was unwilling to divulge her first name but we got the last, and the editor read the copy in a hurry, so we should worry.

"Wouldn't you like your pictures in the paper?" we asked the fair ones. "You, who have the honor of being the first women elevator operators in the City of Spindles? This is a historic occasion, young ladies, and you deserve to be known and honored by the public. Think of posterity when the little school children will read in their histories of the city's first lady elevator operators and then they look in vain for a portrait of the notables. Won't you please give us your pictures?" Thus we appealed and persuaded but blushing violets as they were—there's that "breath of spring" stuff again—they were unwilling to oblige us. Well, we did our bit to perpetuate their memories—and faces.

The operators are not attired in uniforms, which fact adds much to their value, we think. They handle the car with as much ease and much more carelessness than many male operators, they're pleasant to everybody and—well, it's an all-around advantageous innovation on the part of the Chaffoux management, and they are to be congratulated in bringing Lowell's first lady elevator operators to the front. Hurrah for the war!

Germany has decided to collect \$4,600,000,000 from Russia. The poor Bolsheviks!



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Come in the morning and you can have your new teeth the same day extractions are made.

All work guaranteed for 10 years by a written warranty as good as a U. S. Treasury Bond.

\$5.00 At Dr. Hewson's Dental offices you receive \$26 worth of sympathetic, expert, guaranteed dental service for \$5. This includes \$8 worth of extractions; a \$5 gold tooth and a \$12 plate.

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6 AMERICANS KILLED IN LAJOIE SOLD TO THE ACTION—11 MISSING

WASHINGTON, March 22.—Six enlisted men were killed in action and 11 missing are reported in yesterday's casualty list issued by the war department. Two men were killed by accident, nine died of disease, two were severely wounded in action and 12 slightly wounded.

Killed in action: Privates Stanley Doubly, Ernest B. Fulkerston, Robert H. Hogg, William J. McKay, Lloyd M. Morrill, William B. Shepard. Died of accident: Privates Willie J. Hayes, Burritt W. Wade.

Died of disease: Corp. George Eklund, pneumonia; Privates Sidney J. Anderson, meningitis; Fay Briner, appendicitis; William M. Dubry, pneumonia; Paul J. Farnum, pneumonia; Erwin A. McArthur, meningitis; Daniel W. McCarty, embolism; Francis Sullivan, ague, laryngitis; Joseph Moran, pneumonia.

Missing in action: Sergt. John A. Sheehan, Privates Harry E. Birney, Eugene F. Curtis, Albert M. Kennedy, Grover C. Leitheser, William F. Marvin, James Moran, Dennis F. O'Connor, William F. O'Connor, Joseph Reid, Carl Schultz.

Wounded, severely: Private Orla Archey, Private Albert R. Tibbets. Wounded slightly: Corps. Carl C. David, Alexander Smeitzer; Privates John Bowler, Stephen Derrig, James Dougherty, Roy Montgomery Ogle, Vernon Johnson, Frederick P. King, Michael Mahalek, Roy Montgomery Ogle, Stephen J. Navin, Eugene J. Wearnhard, Attilius H. Thomas.

TO ELIMINATE FIRE HAZARDS

Commissioner Warnock of the public property department announced this morning that he is now working on plans for the expenditure of the \$13,000 recently voted by the council for the elimination of the fire hazard at the Green, Franklin and Cabot street schools. Fire escapes will be erected on the Green and Cabot street schools, while at the Franklin school fire partitions will be built. If there is any money left it will be spent in other school buildings.

The men of the public property department are now busy laying a granolithic floor at Hose 6 in Fletcher street, and it is expected that the job will be completed within a short time. The laying of the floor will cost about \$1200 for it was necessary to strengthen the supports of the floor before laying the granolithic but when it will be finished it will be one of the handsomest floors of its kind in the city.

FOOD DEMONSTRATION BY FAMOUS SOUTHERN COOK AT COLONIAL HALL

Miss Portia Smiley, the famous southern cook who was at Colonial hall this afternoon, demonstrated among other dishes the following recipes, copies of which were distributed among the women present:

Chicken Croquettes—1 cup corn meal mush, 1 cup chopped chicken, few drops onion juice, 1 egg, salt and pepper to taste. Mix and make into cakes. Fry in lightly greased pan or drop balls in deep fat.

Corn Waffles—1 1/2 cups boiling water, 1/2 cup white corn meal, 1 1/2 cups milk, 1 1/2 cups yellow corn meal, 1 1/2 cups wheat flour, 3 tablespoons sugar, 1/4 tablespoons baking powder, 1/2 tablespoons salt, yolks of 2 eggs, whites of

2 eggs, 2 tablespoons melted oleo, Cook meal in boiling water 20 minutes; add milk, dry ingredients, mixed and sifted, rolls of eggs well beaten, oleo and whites of eggs beaten stiff. Cook as waffles.

Pie Crust—Grease deep pie plate;

sprinkle granulated yellow corn meal on bottom and edges to cover thoroughly. Fill with any liquid filling—apple sauce, fruit or lemon.

SUN BREVITIES

Best Printing, Tobin's, Asso. Bldg. Private John A. Patrick of this city, who is in the 170th Aero squadron, has arrived safely overseas.

Frederick S. Clark of the Talbot mills of North Billerica has been appointed chairman of the wool war service committee by the chamber of commerce of the United States.

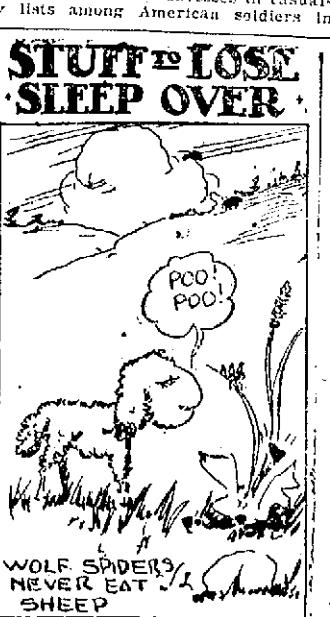
Walter L. Kivlan, one of the supernumerary police officers, has asked the mayor for a leave of absence of six months and the request has been granted.

A telephone alarm at 8:40 o'clock this morning summoned the members of Engine 5 to the dump on First street. The company worked for nearly two hours before the fire was extinguished.

Among the awards recently announced by the surgeon general of the U. S. army for miscellaneous medical supplies was a contract for dish towels to the Lowell Textile Co. of North Chelmsford. The contract calls for 12,000 dozen dish towels, \$1620.

A large table at the war work headquarters in Merrimack street is loaded down with packages and bundles of clothing given by Lowell people for the destitute people of Belgium. The articles range from a pair of shoes to a good-looking suit of very late pattern. When some Belgian gentleman receives the articles he will not only be well clothed but will be right in American style.

While the new rule is in force giving names but not addresses in casualty lists among American soldiers in



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For Men and Women



Look for the sign of the "Good Witch" in dealers' stores

How to buy real hosiery Satisfaction

The wrong way to get foot-comfort is to buy stockings on the basis of price.

The right way is to buy hosiery that exactly fits your feet and your needs.

If your feet burn, ache, and quickly tire, maybe it's the fault of misfit hosiery that gathers, binds, or quickly tears.

Come in today and buy a pair of Ipswich socks or stockings. Over 50,000,000 pairs were sold last year. Made in styles that range all the way from sturdy, cushiony, 25-cent cotton socks to the beautiful fibre silk and lisle flare-top stockings at 75 cents.

Cook, Taylor & Co., 98 Merrimack st.
Dedney & Co., 235 Middlesex st.
Mrs. E. Drain, 87 Gorham st.
E. J. Houpis, 124 Market st.
Joseph Lipshts, 130 Chelmsford st.
Merrimack Clothing Co., 828 Merrimack st.

H. Ostroff, 103 Middlesex st.
E. Pelletier, 514 Merrimack st.
A. G. Pollard Co.
L. Siegel, 33 Middlesex st.
A. Smith, 433 Middlesex st.
P. Souza & Co., 103 Gorham st.
J. Steinberg, 248 Middlesex st.
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WEDDING RINGS
14 and 18 K.
RICARD'S
123 Central Street

The next step will be to overhaul the craft and mount guns. The vessels are now in charge of 360 navy officers and bluejackets and a detail from the custom house.

THREE DUTCH SHIPS IN PANAMA ZONE SEIZED BY U. S. OFFICIALS

PANAMA, March 22.—The American authorities in the Panama canal have seized three Dutch merchant vessels, in accordance with the order issued by President Wilson.

The Time Is Here For You To Try

Instant Postum

While thousands, for years, have used this real American beverage as their regular meal-time drink, others, without trying, have "wondered why."

A can of Instant Postum from the grocer will quickly demonstrate such qualities of excellent flavor, convenience, health, economy and time-saving as to win you for its friend.

"There's a Reason"

PUBLIC AUCTION

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Just selling for my creditors who want money. The entire stock of Diamonds, Watches, Silverware, Clocks and Jewelry will be offered for sale and sacrificed regardless of cost or value.

Come Now!
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SALE STARTS AT 2 P. M. 107 CENTRAL STREET

SAMUEL D. GREENWALD Jeweler

EVENING SALE AT 7 o'Clock

RAILROAD CONTROL A GREAT UNDERTAKING

WASHINGTON, March 22.—President Wilson's signature to the bill for government operation of railroads until 21 months after the war completes the plan for the greatest undertaking in government control of privately owned public utilities the war has brought to America.

Early in August, 1916, the war cloud was growing ominous, so an act was passed empowering the president, through the secretary of war, to take control of and utilize all systems of transportation in a national emergency. President Wilson employed this authority on Dec. 23, 1917, taking possession of the lines and appointing Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo, director general of railroads.

Engaged in a war requiring every bit of national effort to insure success, the president believed it was imperative that the government direct all operations so that adequate means might be had to expedite troop movements, move supplies, and care for the generally abnormal strain on the transportation system.

The flow of khaki-clad men had to proceed to the ports of embarkation without interruption; shells, cartridges and rifles had to be moved from munition centers; foodstuffs had to be transferred from the granaries of the west, and ample provision had to be made for the output of the mines. In addition to military needs, the country had experienced during the winter of 1917 the greatest breakdown and congestion of the transportation system ever known.

At the stroke of the president's pen the roads came under federal administration. Property rights were not purchased—the government merely exercised its authority to operate the lines and provision was made for safeguarding the proprietary interests of investors.

At the request of the president, congress then set about to enact a law to carry on the step taken as an emergency under the law of 1916.

In substantial accord with President Wilson's recommendation, the law provided that the compensation estimated at \$95,000,000 annually, shall be predicated on average net earnings for the three-year period ending June 30, 1917. The amounts will be ascertained by the Interstate commerce commission and certified to the president, who will negotiate with the roads for their acceptance. Ordinary taxes, such as national or state, shall be paid out of operating revenues, but war taxes must be paid by the companies out of their own funds or charged against the standard return. In that way the roads will

bear their proportional share of the war burden. So that the properties may be returned to their owners in condition as good as when taken over, provision was made for their maintenance and for protection against unusual deterioration.

In the absence of a complete federal valuation of railroads, the exact rate of return to be made by the government cannot be stated accurately, but it is estimated that the companies will obtain an amount representing nearly 5 1/2 per cent.

In event that the president finds that an equitable return cannot be computed for some roads on the three-year pre-war basis because of abnormal operating conditions during that period, he is authorized to fix an amount as he shall believe reasonable.

In case a road refused to accept the amount of compensation as estimated by the Interstate commerce commission, a board of referees shall be appointed to ascertain a fair return, and if this method fails the roads have recourse to the federal court of claims. These provisions of the act safeguard the constitutional rights of investors to have their compensation determined by due process of law.

One section of the act provides the president may advance the rate of earnings for any road increasing its resources in order to handle better the wartime volume of traffic.

The companies are authorized to continue the regular payment of dividends, but extra dividends shall not be paid without the approval of the government.

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AIMS AT RECAPTURING HINDENBURG LINE

LONDON, March 22.—It is not yet possible to give more than a very general and vague idea of the fighting Thursday on the front between the Oise and the Somme, which continues with swaying fortunes, according to the accounts of correspondents at the British front in the morning newspaper.

The German attack made on the British front west and southwest of Cambrai evidently aims at recapturing all the Hindenburg line, says a despatch to the Morning Post from British headquarters in France, which adds:

"The German army attacking south of the Scarpe seems to have delivered its first blow principally in the triangle of the Arras-Cambrai and Bapaume-Cambrai roads, while the German army south of Cambrai is striking against our trench systems in the region west of the Scheldt canal. No doubt the enemy hopes that the attacking forces of these two armies may succeed in forming a junction and thus cutting off a considerable section of the British front and taking back all the Hindenburg trenches lost exactly four months ago."

Struggles for villages and ruined farm houses continued throughout Thursday, according to the correspondent of the Daily Mail.

"The enemy bombardment," he says, "began at five o'clock in the morning and at 7 o'clock some of the German units left their trenches and attacked the British with heavy and light machine guns. Between 9 and 10 the engagement became general on a front of some 25 miles."

"The right of the German attack was aimed at Croisilles, Bapaume and Lagnicourt and there was hard fighting in a brick field near the first of these villages. Along the Bapaume-Cambrai road the enemy also attacked and then towards Gouzeaucourt while its left wing was pushed in the direction of Ronsoy and Baricourt.

"The British front in the area of attack forms a rather sharp salient. If the enemy could pinch off this salient and run his line straight in a

"On this solemn occasion no better wish can be made to the country so dear to our hearts, than that the Divine Redemer may grant a realization of the desire of all, that is, a healing of the existing hatred and the concluding of a lasting peace based on the foundation of justice, fear of God and love of humanity, giving to the world a new organization of peoples and nations, united under the aegis of true religion in aspiring to a nobler, purer and kinder civilization."

"It is true we desire to fulfill our Master's last injunction to His apostles: 'Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature.'"

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each time has finally sent for it as soon as he considered himself settled. Each time it arrived simultaneously with orders transferring him again. It followed him to the Philippines in '98, to China to Galveston, and all the way around until it arrived here this week.

The 303d Infantry was examined on the parapet ground yesterday. Today the 304th Infantry will be called out by Maj. George Gilman Davis, officer in charge of assembling men for the divisional examinations. Then all the artillery and infantry regiments will have been grilled on how much they have or haven't learned.

Maj. Davis is the new major of the 302d Infantry, just appointed. He is a Harvard 1903 graduate and Law school graduate and was for 12 years in the 1st Corps Cadets, resigning in 1915. Before going to Plattsburgh he was military instructor at Dartmouth.

Capt. Bonner Promoted

Another new major in camp is Maj. Robert Bonner, Q.M.C., of Newton Highlands, recently appointed construction quartermaster here and yesterday promoted from captaincy. Maj. Bonner was pretty nearly the first man to land in Ayer as the advance guard of the thousands now here. He handled the whole job of leasing the land for the cantonment.

It was a task requiring tact and perseverance as some didn't want to part with their land. Maj. Bonner is a Rhode Islander and served in the Rhode Island National Guard for five years. Of recent years he has been in the real estate business in Boston.

April 6 is apparently going to take

large numbers of troops away from camp for Liberty Loan parades and other festivities. Lieut. J. R. Sander-

son is planning to take Battery E of the 301st Field Artillery to Malden; the

Machine Gun Company of the Boston Regiment is going to parade in East Boston; the mayor of Worcester called

on Gen. Hodges to see what soldiers from his city could go.

Canon Cabanal, chaplain of the Blue Devils Regiment, came to camp last night with ex-Gov. David L. Walsh and were guests of Maj. Gen. Hodges at dinner and later spoke to a packed auditorium in the main K. of C. building.

Maj. Joseph L. Suier, assistant division surgeon, has been transferred to Camp Dix, N. J.

Baseball Organizer

Baseball assumed a pre-eminent position in Devens sports yesterday when Capt. Nelligan announced the appointment of Corp. James Richard Kimball of Orange, now in the 21st Company, Depot Brigade, as organizer of camp baseball. Kimball will have charge of laying out a score of baseball diamonds, daily practice of the camp team and the schedules of the company and regimental nine.

Kimball made a fine record at Amherst, playing left field four years. He has also managed the Orange semi-pro nine, played on the Hyannis, Mass., team and coached Athol high for two years.

**DIVISION 4 EXEMPTION BOARD
SETS DATE FOR FINAL EN-
TRAINMENT INSTRUCTIONS**

The following men have been instructed by Division 4 exemption board to meet at the Greenhalge school Thursday evening, March 28, at 7 o'clock for final instructions in regard to their entrainment to Camp Devens for military duty on the following day. The list is subject to revision as reports of medical examinations come in from the Medical Advisory board:

Armand Bazin, 236 Middlesex St.;

Joseph A. Dallaire, 26 Beaujeu St.;

John B. Logan, Raymond Place;

Roy M. Larose, 244 Laken Ave.

Valmar J. Savard, 41 Ford St.

Frederick J. Gullard, 143 Alken St.

Jos. C. Bedard, 207 Cumberland St.;

William F. Riley, 41 West St.

Ortava Roy, 81 Sixth Ave.

Henry C. Morrisette, 244 Cumberland road.

Charles Cote, 768 Lakeview Ave.

Alfred A. Fortier, 761 Lakeview Ave.

Alternates

Wilfred J. Frechette, 39 Boisvert St.

Wilfred Brunconier, 130 Hall St.

VISITORS FROM MANCHESTER

A delegation of city officials from Manchester, N. H., came to this city this morning for the purpose of studying the auditing and accountants system at city hall and they were very much impressed with what they saw. The city of Manchester has an old system of bookkeeping and the officials find it rather unhandy. They are about to make a change, but before doing so they thought they would come to Lowell and look into our system, which had been recommended to them by Accountant Tarbox.

In the delegation were Aldermen Joseph B. Kenney and J. Emile Bellard, who were appointed committee to study the Lowell system and report later to the board of aldermen. Accompanying them were City Clerk William J. O'Brien, City Treasurer Allison L. Partridge and City Auditor Paul H. Boire.

INFANTILE PARALYSIS

James Brogan, 12-year-old son of James D. and Margaret Brogan, of 171 Warren street, is suffering from infantile paralysis and as a result the entire family have been quarantined at their home by the board of health.

The case was reported by Dr. T. J. Halloran yesterday, the child having been ill two days, his left arm and left leg being paralyzed. The father is a laborer employed at odd jobs while the mother is employed at the U. S. Bunting Co. There are five other children in the family, Mary, 14 years; Louise, 10 years; Rita, 7 years; Catherine, 3 years and John, 6 years. Living with the children is also the grandmother, Mrs. Mary Brogan.

LEGISLATURE URGES FINAL PAS-

SAGE OF SAVINGS BANKS

DEPOSIT BILL

Special to The Sun

STATE HOUSE, Boston, March 22.—

Both branches of the legislature suspended all rules today and urged a final passage of the bill providing that deposits of Massachusetts people in savings banks in other states should be exempted from taxation if such states do not pass a similar law with respect to deposits in Massachusetts.

The bill is designed to meet the recent ruling of the bank commissioners of New Hampshire in regard to deposits of New Hampshire citizens in Massachusetts being subject to taxation. The effect of the bill would be the withdrawal of more than two million dollars deposited in Lowell banks alone by residents of New Hampshire.

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WEDDING RINGS

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OFFICIALS DOUBT GREAT DRIVE BY GERMANS

WASHINGTON, March 22.—American forces attempted in the west, there is a military observers, already having cast distinct feeling here that the move their doubts on whether the German drive begun yesterday really heralds the long expected German offensive.

were closely scanning the official dispatches today for evidence to support their view that the German offensive is at this time. The view prevails that Germany now would hardly

attack the issue of the war on a desperate drive against the all but impregnable allied line in the west.

Supreme confidence is expressed on every hand, however, in the allies' ability to arrest the German even should the attack now under way prove to be the grand offensive.

TAKES NEW POSITION

Francis X. Monette, former superintendent of the Canadian Knitting Co. at Hamilton, Ont., has been appointed superintendent of the underwear department of the Tremont & Suffolk mills and will assume his new duties April 1.

Mr. Monette is a Lowell man and at one time was employed at the Lawrence Mfg. Co. About six years ago he went to Hamilton, Ont., as an overseer for the Canadian Knitting Co., but his knowledge of the work and his ability in securing help soon won him

the promotion to superintendent of the plant.

Last year the young man severed his connections with the Canadian company and returned to this city, where he became interested in the drug business, purchasing the drug store of Hon. John T. Sparks in Lakeview Avenue.

He later formed a company, known as the Charles L. Cordeau Drug Co., and he is now president of the concern. Mr. Monette is very popular in Lowell, where he counts a host of friends, who predict he will make good in his new position.

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BRITISH BOMBS CAUSE ENORMOUS DAMAGE

GENEVA, March 20.—Information has reached Basel, that the British

air raid on London upon Mainz, Germany, did enormous damage in the city, causing several furious fires which raged for many hours, especially in the vicinity of the railway station. A powder factory and a gas plant are reported to have ex-

ploded. The population, according to these advices, is panic-stricken and many persons are leaving town and going to Switzerland, especially women and children.

**CONSIDERATION OF WAGE IN-
CREASES FOR RAILROAD**

EMPLOYEES

WASHINGTON, March 22.—Consideration of wage increases to be recommended for railroad employees is approaching a decision by the railroad wage commission which is holding daily sessions, but has not yet authorized increases for any class of employees.

Members of the commission today deprecated efforts to forecast their recommendations. Except that the greatest advance will be given to the low paid men, no decision has been arrived at. The decision will not be ready to forward to the director-general of railroads probably for another week.

Daily Bulletin From War Work Headquarters

Enrolment in the U.S. Public Service Reserve

LOWELL BRANCH

WILL SHOW: How the people of Lowell united, and how they put themselves on record to win the war.

WILL SHOW: Who was willing to be catalogued.

WILL SHOW: How and where each one was working and helping.

WILL SHOW: Where to find anyone, what they can do, and their intentions.

WILL SHOW: The strength and number of each trade, profession or occupation, as a group, and how available if called upon collectively or singly.

The idea, the policy, is not to draw you away from your organization but to make record that you are in an organization and to help you and the organization to co-operate with us and use the organized forces, instead of starting new ones. To have them all working and concentrating for the one immediate object to be attained, and attain it quickly through the use of existing and augmented machinery.

With such a record, such a united organization of the people of Lowell, it will be possible to use our man and woman power to the best advantage. It will supply help and work and workers for every conceivable need, without disorganizing the existing enterprises, but on the contrary BE OF USE TO ALL.

ENROLMENT AGENT FOR LOWELL,

OTTO HOCKMEYER,

WAR WORK HEADQUARTERS



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